Dear District Residents:

It is with great anticipation that I, along with the Board of Education, invite you to the October 18th School Board meeting. The meeting will provide the best opportunity for the members of our community to hear more about the funding of our educational programs through the 2017-2018 school district budget. Included in this budget is a 1-time increase in property taxes (approximately $19.80 on a $200,000 home) that will be used for a new boiler and new high efficiency LED lighting at Parkway school. After this 1-year property tax increase on your 2017 tax bill, all residents will see a decrease in property taxes (approximately $62.60 on a $200,000 home) on the 2018 property tax bill due to the 2007 building referendum being paid in full. By acting in this prudent, fiscally responsible way the Board assures the Glendale residents that the 2018 property tax bill (the Glendale-River Hills School District portion) will be lower in 2018 than it was in 2012!

In fact, providing that current laws and funding by the state are maintained at the current level, and thanks to the additional $980,000 approved by the voters at the April 2015 referendum, our 3-year budget forecast has the District in sound fiscal condition. This has allowed the District to expand the services provided to our most gifted students, as well as maintain our regular and special education programs, along with our wonderful band, orchestra, music, art, world language, technology, and physical education programs. In addition, students in the Glendale schools can still participate in over 20 co-curricular and athletic programs.

Finally, I want to thank our wonderful community, as well as our fantastic Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) and District Foundation in making our new all-inclusive playground at Parkway an amazing success. For complete details, please see the pictures and write-up on this amazing success story!

As always, you are welcome to contact me directly to discuss the district budget or any other District related topic by contacting me via email or phone. I look forward to working with you to meet the challenges and celebrate the successes of the 2017-18 school year.

Sincerely,

Larry Smalley
District Administrator

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262-442-4441 (cell)
Upon request, the Glendale-River Hills School District is required to evaluate a child for eligibility for special education services. A request for evaluation is known as a referral. When the District receives a referral, the District will appoint an Individualized Education Program (IEP) team to determine if the child has a disability, and if the child needs special education services. The District locates, identifies and evaluates all children with disabilities who are enrolled by their parents in private (including religious) schools, elementary schools and secondary schools located in the school district.

A physician, nurse, psychologist, social worker, or administrator of a social agency who reasonably believes a child brought to him or her for services is a child with a disability has a legal duty to refer the child, including a homeless child, to the school district in which the child resides. Before referring the child, the person making the referral must inform the child’s parent that the referral will be made. Others, including parents, who reasonably believe a child is a child with a disability may also refer the child, including a homeless child, to the school district in which the child resides.

Referrals must be in writing and include the reason why the person believes the child is a child with a disability. A referral may be made by contacting Ms. Kilton, Director of Special Education of the Glendale-River Hills School District, at 414/351-7170, or by writing to Ms. Kilton at the Glendale-River Hills School District, 2600 W. Mill Road, Glendale, WI 53209.
This has been the guiding principle of the Parkway Playground Committee during the past 2½ years of fundraising to build an accessible playground that all children can enjoy. On Friday, September 15th, over 200 children, parents, community members, and local leaders came together for a ribbon-cutting ceremony and for the Glendale-River Hills School District Foundation’s Run/Walk to celebrate the opening of the new accessible playground at Parkway Elementary School and to finish raising funds for the new playground. District Superintendent Larry Smalley and Playground Committee members Nancy Gapinski and Lisa Rondeau spoke at the event, thanking the community for their generosity and commitment to children.

Lisa Rondeau shared, “We have worked for over 2 years to make this playground a reality because we know that all kids, regardless of ability, should have a safe and engaging place to play. When a flower doesn’t bloom, you change the environment in which it grows, not the flower. That’s what we have done here – we changed the environment to make sure that every child at this school, in this community, right now and for many years to come can play and succeed and thrive.”

When designing the playground, the Playground Committee worked with Northland Recreation to select a safe and accessible surface and equipment that meets the safety, developmental, sensory, and physical needs of students. A unique feature of the playground is an app, which parents and teachers can download on to mobile devices, that incorporates fun educational games. Of course the children are already having fun designing their own games and adventures that strengthen their friendships as well as their planning and cooperation skills. And the fun does not end with the school bell at the end of the day.

Since the playground opened, families from Glendale and the surrounding area are flocking to it after school and on weekends. “This truly is a community playground. Each donation represents a commitment to our children and to the idea that strong communities work together to meet the needs of their members,” says Nancy Gapinski. “Life really is better when we play together.”

Thank you to Terri Hart-Ellis for donating her time and photographic talent. More photos can be seen on our school Facebook pages.
Information concerning pupils shall be disclosed only in accordance with the provisions of Section 118.125, Wisconsin Statutes and the Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). “Directory Data” as defined below may be disclosed without prior consent to any person unless the parent/guardian has directed, in writing, the District not to disclose such information as described below.

“Directory data” means those pupil records which include the pupil’s name, address, telephone listing, date and place of birth, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, photographs, awards received and the name of the school most recently previously attended by the pupil.

The parent/guardian of a pupil may direct the District not to disclose such information. Such direction must be made by means of a letter sent to the District Administrator (a) within two weeks of a publication of this Notice in the official District newspaper or (b) for pupils enrolling after the Notice is published, within two weeks after such notice is given as part of the enrollment process.
Life is Better When We Play Together!

The Playground Committee wishes to thank all our donors who made this incredible project a reality. Your generous gifts built this playground. Thank you.

Priceless
The Parkway Playground Committee – Laura Futterer, Nancy Gapinski, Ellen Mauermann, Erin Norris, Lindsay Rocamora, Lisa Rondeau, and Sara Strunk
Glendale- River Hills School District & Staff
Parkway Elementary School Teachers & Staff
Glen Hills Middle School Teachers & Staff
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Daisy Troop #21062
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