



Stevenson High School Board Bulletin

A monthly message from the Board of Education

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Welcome to our Stevenson High School Board Bulletin, a monthly message from our Board of Education that will include key updates that impact student life at Stevenson. We are very pleased to share several key takeaways from our most recent board meeting below. Thank you for your engagement on these very important issues! We look forward to staying in touch.

Sincerely,
Stevenson High School Board of Education

KEY TAKEAWAYS

Our board meeting agendas often include many items for discussion. While you will always be able to review the agenda, meeting minutes and video recordings of these meetings on [our Board webpage](#), this Board Bulletin provides key takeaways for our Stevenson community.

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The Board of Education approved a sale of bonds totaling \$15 million for the purpose of increasing the Working Cash Fund.

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The Board of Education voted unanimously to approve the appointment of D'Wayne Bates as Stevenson's next Director of Athletics, effective July 1. He will succeed Trish Betthausen, who will retire at the conclusion of this school year. For the past 10 years, Mr. Bates has served as the Assistant Principal for Athletics at Glenbard East High School. His previous experience includes time at LaSalle-Peru Township as Assistant Principal for Athletics and Activities; Marshall High School as a Special Education teacher; and Evanston High School as a Social Studies teacher, coach and Interim Assistant Athletic Director.

Mr. Bates is a member of IHSA and NFHS and serves on both organization's board of directors. Mr. Bates also served as the Co-Chair for the Illinois Athletic Director Association and is a member of the National Interscholastic Athletic Administration Association. In addition to these accomplishments, Mr. Bates is a Certified Athletic Administrator and is pursuing his certification as a Master Athletic Administrator.

Mr. Bates earned his BS in Education and Social Policy from Northwestern in 1998, a MA in Secondary Education from the University of Phoenix in 2008, and his Administrator Certificate from North Park University in 2011. Mr. Bates was drafted by the Chicago Bears in 1999 and subsequently was signed by the Minnesota Vikings. He played in the NFL from 1999 - 2005.