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Dear Fellow Residents

Recently there has been much talk among many communities in our area concerning merging of school districts. I recently attended Remsen Central School District Board of Education's meeting which included a presentation regarding school district mergers. During the course of said presentation, it was pointed out that since Holland Patent Central School is contiguous with Remsen Central School, Holland Patent is one of three schools that could potentially be involved in a merger study with Remsen in terms of entertaining the possibility of perhaps pursuing centralization or annexation. The presentation provided introductory information regarding the merger process, its benefits and its detriments.

The Holland Patent Board of Education would like to provide its residents with an opportunity to obtain information concerning this topic. The Board has reached out to the same consultant that Remsen's Board of Education utilized for its presentation on school mergers to assist in providing information to our community regarding the merger process, possibilities and effects.

A presentation, being an introductory information session regarding the merger process, its benefits and detriments, is scheduled for Tuesday, November 27, 2012, at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium. The Board is extremely interested in not only providing information but also hearing from our community members on this topic. On behalf of the entire Holland Patent Board of Education, I invite you to come and participate in this presentation.

Sincerely,

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President, Board of Education

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