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Dear DPS Parents:

Happy Back to School! We hope your children enjoyed their first week back, and we'd like to extend a special welcome to all new DPS families.

The Board of Education is thrilled to have welcomed Dr. Eric Byrne to Darien as our Interim Superintendent this year. He has already proven himself to be a strong leader and is a calm presence in our schools. We are grateful to have him.

We have begun the search for a permanent Superintendent, with an anticipated start date of July 2026. To assist us, we have engaged the highly regarded search firm, School Leadership LLC, in this process.

A vital part of our search will be to develop specifications for the qualities and skills we would like to see in our ideal candidate. We are reaching out to you for your help to develop these specifications. As valued partners of the DPS community, your thoughts are important to us.

The Board is seeking your input on desired characteristics for our next Superintendent in two ways:

1. School Leadership will be holding an in-person Community Forum on **Monday, September 15, from 7:30-8:30 p.m.** in the Board of Education Meeting Room at 35 Leroy Avenue.
2. An online survey will be emailed out to you the week of September 15.

We hope that you can take the time to share your ideas with us. The Board, along with School Leadership, looks forward to learning your perspective. Should you have any questions about the search process, please reach out to Sara Parent (sparent@darienps.org) or Dennis Maroney (dmaroney@darienps.org).

On behalf of the Board of Education, thank you for taking the time to participate in this important endeavor.

Very truly yours,

D. Jill McCammon
Chairperson, Darien Board of Education

Dennis Maroney and Sara Parent
Co-Chairs, Superintendent Search Committee Chair