

SUPERINTENDENT'S WELCOME LETTER

Thank you for your interest in Hawthorn School District 73. As your Superintendent of Schools, I am honored and excited to work with all of our Hawthorn stakeholders to achieve our mission to “Inspire all students to embrace learning in an ever-changing world.” Serving a diverse population of approximately 4,200 students (pre-K through eighth grade), our focus is on providing a world class, whole-child education with equitable opportunities for all students.

The District consists of nine schools, including an early childhood center, four elementary schools, a dual language school, two middle schools and a new kindergarten building that is opening this summer. We serve all or portions of the communities of Vernon Hills, Mundelein, Libertyville, Indian Creek and unincorporated areas of Lake County, Illinois.

Hawthorn District 73 is recognized locally, as well as statewide and nationally, for its outstanding academic and extracurricular achievements. In 2019, Elementary South received the coveted National Blue Ribbon Award in the Exemplary High Performing Schools category. Middle School North is a recent recipient of the “Whole Child Award” from the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development. Hawthorn is among a small group of school districts in Illinois that received a Best Communities of Music Education Award from the National Association of Music Merchants Foundation. We offer extensive athletic and after school opportunities for students with approximately 84 clubs and sports activities.

This is such an exciting time for the District. With the passage of a bond referendum in 2018, we are moving forward with significant renovation and expansion plans. In addition to the opening of our new kindergarten building, the Hawthorn School for Young Learners, we are moving forward with the expansion of Middle School North, which is on track to be completed by the fall of 2021, and finalizing plans for the expansion of Elementary South. We are proud that all Hawthorn schools are slated for improvements, which will provide students and teachers the space and technology they need for 21st century learning. We are also moving forward with developing a new strategic plan.

If you are a Hawthorn parent or family member, please consider supporting the Hawthorn PTO, communicating with your child’s teachers regularly, attending school events, and keeping up to date with the district by frequently checking our district website and our social media channels, which include Facebook, Twitter and Instagram (see links below).

We are proud of our students, staff and schools and welcome the opportunity to share additional information with you. I encourage and welcome any questions, comments or concerns you may have by contacting me at hanniganp@hawthorn73.org or (847) 990-4244.

“Go Eagles!”

Sincerely,

Peter Hannigan
Superintendent of Schools

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