

## **Lisle School District 202 Board of Education Highlights Dec. 17, 2007**

### **Lisle School District 202 Board of Education announces new superintendent**

The Lisle Community School District 202 Board of Education appointed Dr. Patricia Wernet Dec. 17 as the District's new superintendent, effective July 1, 2008. She follows Dr. J. Peter Lueck, who will be retiring at the end of the school year. Dr. Wernet has served as assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction, assistant principal, principal, acting coordinator of special education, gifted coordinator and safe schools coordinator in Palos School District 118 and Evergreen Park School District 124. For the past four years, she has been the superintendent in South Berwyn School District 100. A welcome reception for Dr. Wernet is planned for the afternoon of Jan. 28, 2008.

*See related story at <http://www.lisle202.org>.*

### **Board approves real estate tax levy resolution**

The Lisle School District 202 Board of Education approved the 2007 real estate tax levy resolution at its Dec. 17 meeting. The adoption of the levy sets the basis for the DuPage County Clerk to determine the amount of dollars District 202 could receive from 2007 real estate taxes. The following amounts are required to be levied for the 2007 tax year: Educational \$17,737,000; Operations and Maintenance \$2,880,000; Transportation \$680,000; Working Cash \$1,000; Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund \$314,000; Social Security \$284,000; Tort Immunity \$1,000; Special Education \$123,000 (subtotal \$22,020,000). With Bond & Interest at \$1,505,421, the total tax levy is \$23,525,421.

### **Changes in ISAT testing will affect ELL students**

Each year in the spring, students in grades 3 through 8 take the Illinois Standards Achievement Tests. Those students who are considered English Language Learners take a test known as IMAGE. Recently, the Federal government ruled that the IMAGE test was not a valid measure of student achievement as the test really measures English proficiency using core academic areas as content. Despite educators' concerns throughout the State of Illinois and requests for student accommodations that were made to the Illinois State Board of Education, ELL students will be taking the ISATs in March under the same conditions as other students. In District 202, there are nine elementary school students and nine junior high school students who will be affected by the change.