



Date: June 2, 2025
To: Dr. Robert Halverson, Superintendent of Schools
East Aurora School District 131 Board of Education
From: Ashraf Kawash, Director of Buildings and Grounds
Subject: Tree Dedication

Informational:

The District would like approval for implementation of a formal process for handling tree dedication requests within the district. This initiative offers a meaningful way to honor a student who has passed away by planting a tree (or buddy bench if applicable) on district grounds.

Under the proposed process, individuals may submit dedication requests at the building level through the respective school principal. Upon initial review, approved requests would then be forwarded to our Buildings & Grounds (B&G) department for logistical evaluation and implementation planning.

If a request is approved, the district would identify and provide a specified tree species and determine a suitable planting location that aligns with district needs and campus planning considerations.

We believe this process will allow for thoughtful, sustainable dedications that celebrate our students while enhancing the natural beauty of our school campuses.