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TO: Keevin O'Neill, Superintendent
Vicksburg Board of Education

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2018-2019 COMMUNITY EDUCATION ANNUAL REPORT

Below is the overview of the Community Education highlights.

Programs and activities in community recreation continue to be well attended. We offered various summer camps that were enjoyed by the students in our district as well as surrounding communities. The art classes offered at Sunset Lake and Tobey throughout the school year were a popular after school activity for many elementary students, however, Indian Lake did not have enough participation to continue the class. The various karate classes available for families, youth, and adults have continued to grow in class size over the past year. We also host Busy Bodies fitness classes at Tobey and Cardio Drumming class was held at Sunset Lake.

The youth dance program had another successful year with three nights of classes available during the week and a spectacular recital in May. Our returning director overseeing the program this year has added a few new instructors and a new class-musical theater. We are excited about the changes and look forward to another great year.

Kids Klub Before and After School Child Care finished its 26th season of operation. Again this year we had some staff changes, but overall the program continues to make each day a fun experience for those children attending. Summer Kids Klub was held at Tobey this year and allowed for our KK staff and children to enjoy different opportunities. Each week was

special with different themes, activities, lots of water days, and a trip to Indian Lake for some swimming and ice cream!

Bulldog Beginnings Preschool finished its 5th year of having three classrooms. Forty-eight children had a preschool experience Monday through Thursday for 31 weeks. The staff were able to use Fridays for planning and professional development.

The Community Education Office schedules all facility usage and rentals for the District. We schedule rental requests from the surrounding areas when space is available. Dynacal provides us with the resources for scheduling and for users/viewers to follow the school year activities by viewing calendar events on the school website. We also distribute all flyers and forms for the various programs/activities that are being offered to our families in the district.

The District's 2018 United Way Campaign contributed \$11,263. The donations were designated to local groups and directly benefited our community.

The annual Community Tailgate was held on Friday, August 30th. We had beautiful weather and community members enjoyed plenty of hotdogs, ice cream bars, and other fun treats before watching the first home football game of the year. This event continues to be well attended and provides a great way to kick off the new school year!