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Superintendent Linda Madsen Forest Lake Public Schools 6100 210th Street N Forest Lake, MN 55025

Superintendent Madsen:

Enclosed with this letter is the dues statement for the 2011-2012 program year.

It has certainly been an exciting year in education funding and SEE has been there for all of it. From the election season through the legislative session, SEE has been in the middle of the action working for you and making certain your interests are heard among the many voices both inside and outside the education community at the Capitol.

These are indeed challenging times. The 2011 legislative session has ended without resolution of the massive budget crisis facing Minnesota. The special session is around the corner and if a budget accord is not reached by the end of June, we may experience a government shutdown. SEE will continue to do its best to give you a front-row seat to the action in these crucial times for school districts throughout the state.

Further, the word "reform" is on everyone's lips in the education debate today, both in terms of funding and policy. SEE is reacting to these proposed reforms and working to make certain that the interests of low-property wealth school districts are heard in these discussions. While many of these reforms may be implemented in higher-wealth districts, they are not so easily accomplished in districts with lower levels of funding and this point must be stressed to legislators.

SEE's fee structure for the coming year has not changed. Any difference in your bill from this year to last is due to pupil growth or decline.

I look forward to serving you again in the coming year as Executive Director of the organization. During my tenure, I've stressed that the organization <u>must</u> add value for members and the organization's staff has joined me in the on-going effort to provide you—the member—with the services you need in terms of policy development and lobbying.

Thank you so much for your past membership and continued support as a SEE member.

Ruds for your support.

Sincerely,

**Brad Lundell** 

Executive Director, Schools for Equity in Education



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## Invoice

Membership Fee for 2011-12 Schools for Equity in Education

Following is the membership fee for the Forest Lake School District commencing July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012.

Fall 2010 Enrollment	Basic Fee*	Communication/ Legal/Research**	Meals & Meeting Fee***	Total Amount Due
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<sup>\* \$0.76</sup> per enrolled student in fall 2009 with minimum of \$1,300 and maximum of \$7,000

Please make check payable to *Schools for Equity in Education* and mail with the enclosed membership information form to:

Schools for Equity in Education

Attn: Membership 1884 Como Avenue St. Paul, MN 55108

If you have any questions, please contact Brad Lundell at 612/220-7459 or Deb Griffiths at 612/309-0089.

Thank you for your interest and support. We look forward to serving you and your district during the coming year.

<sup>\*\* \$0.25</sup> per enrolled student in fall 2009

<sup>\*\*\* \$400.00</sup> for two district members to attend SEE meetings during the year