



To: Board of Education
From: Amy Melinder, Director of Community Engagement
Date: February 24, 2025
Re: District Highlights

Comments: **Preschool earns top designation**

The Woodridge School District 68 Preschool for All program has once again been awarded the Gold Circle of Quality through ExceleRate Illinois, the state's quality rating and improvement system for early learning and development programs. All three school locations, Edgewood, Goodrich and Siple, received this designation, demonstrating our commitment to providing quality early education to children in our district.

The Gold Circle of Quality, the highest rating a program can achieve, recognizes programs as determined by our most recent Early Childhood Environmental Rating Scale (ECERS-3) scores and Compliance Checklist results.

District spelling bee winner

After 12 competitive rounds, Willow Creek 6th grader Joseph Selking won the 2025 Woodridge 68 district spelling bee by correctly spelling the word "assailant." Joseph represented Woodridge 68 at the DuPage County Regional Spelling Bee on February 20.

Winter donation received

Woodridge United Methodist Church donated new hats, gloves and scarves to the students of Woodridge 68.

Wrestlers win conference championship

The Jefferson Junior High wrestling team recently won its 7th consecutive SDEAA conference championship with a score of 374.5 -



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the most points the team has ever scored at a conference tournament! Thirty of 36 JJH wrestlers placed at the tournament, including 11 champions in the 19 weight classes and 17 finalists.