

DU PAGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT 13
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Bloomington, Illinois
Regular Meeting September 27, 2021

FOR DISCUSSION:

Subject: Community Collaboration Group

The District has facilitated a Citizen's Advisory Council in the past to help community members better understand the work of the Board. This Council was disbanded prior to my arrival as Superintendent in the District in 2012.

Based on input from the current Strategic Plan, a new Community Collaboration Group will be established to meet and discuss items and issues that connect the school district with the greater community. Often, the voice of the taxpaying citizen who does not use the District's services is not heard. This is an identified need as nearly 80% of the taxpayers that support District 13 by living in the community do not send children to the schools.

With Communication and Collaboration identified as Goal #3 of the Strategic Plan, one of the initiatives to support the goal is to establish groups to create inclusionary opportunities for citizens to provide feedback on initiatives and help align communication efforts. The Community Collaboration Group will meet each trimester to address large topics and to be open for future conversations on topics of interest to the group. The first agenda will establish norms and expectations and look at the school district calendar drafts for ideas and feedback.