



**FOREST LAKE AREA SCHOOLS
FOREST LAKE, MN 55025**

August 5, 2010

AGENDA ITEM: 9.7

**TOPIC: APPROVE ADDITIONAL 1.5 KINDERGARTEN
TEACHERS AT FOREST VIEW ELEMENTARY**

BACKGROUND: Because the majority of the district's funding is received on a per-student basis, administration has kept a watchful eye on the enrollment and staffing levels in each of our buildings as the new school year approaches. The administration has observed a positive trend at Forest View Elementary and is pleased to report that the enrollment numbers are increasing. Kindergarten enrollment, which is the most unpredictable, is increasing at Forest View Elementary and we are now at a point where it would be fiscally prudent and instructionally desired to add 1.5 FTE teachers to create an additional kindergarten section of red/blue and K+ at Forest View Elementary for the 2010-11 school year.

PROCESS: Because of the fiscal constraints facing the school district, the administration continually examines enrollment and staffing within and between schools to determine if staff transfers can alleviate potential class size concerns.

RECOMMENDATION: Authorize the Superintendent to hire additional 1.5 FTE kindergarten teachers at Forest View Elementary.