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Dear District 90 Families, Faculty, and Staff,

Please consider joining District 90 in its One District/One Book shared reading experience. This community-wide initiative encourages families and residents to engage with, reflect, and discuss the same book together. All District 90 families, faculty, staff, students, and River Forest residents are encouraged to join in the discussion of *The End of Average: How We Succeed in a World That Values Sameness,* by Todd Rose.

Please consider joining District 90 on Wednesday, April 3, 2019, from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. at Roosevelt Middle School, 7560 Oak Avenue, River Forest. There will be small group discussions and hands-on learning activities that will help bring the book's ideas to light. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. The event is free, but RSVPs are requested. Please RSVP at this link: RSVP One District/One Book

Rose posits that *no one is truly average*. Blending science, history, statistics, and Rose's own experiences, *The End of Average* examines our common misconceptions about talent and potential. What does this mean for each of us as individuals? How can we support systems and relationships that honor individuality while still providing a space for everyone to be included? How can this knowledge build stronger relationships within families, schools, and our larger community?

Please join the conversation. *The End of Average* is available in the River Forest Public Library and local bookstores. You can also listen to this book in an audiobook format. Short videos by Todd Rose can be viewed on YouTube or by clicking these links:

Harvard's Todd Rose on Why Individuality Is the Key to the Future

The End of Average: Todd Rose's 8 for 8

The Myth of Average: Todd Rose at TEDxSonoma County

We hope to see you on Wednesday, April 3, 2019, at Roosevelt. Thank you for all that you do to support our students, families, faculty, and staff.

Sincerely,

Dawne Simmons
Community Outreach Coordinator