

27 BOARD BRIEFS

Northbrook School District 27 Board of Education Meeting
November and December, 2016

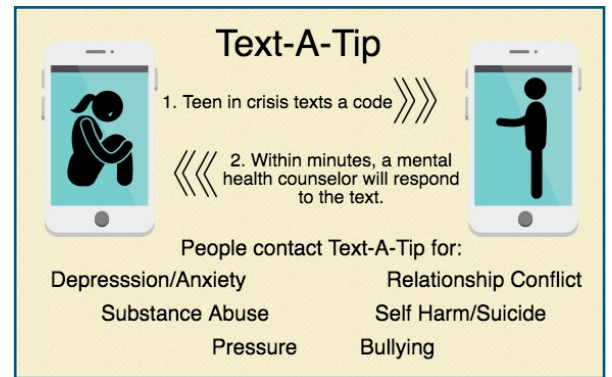
District 27 to Join Text-A-Tip

The Board of Education approved a program, called Text-A-Tip, that provides social-emotional support for middle school and high school youth through the use of a 24/7 anonymous text crisis hotline.

This program provides teams of licensed mental health counselors who respond within minutes to help teens who are struggling, and to respond to reports of students in crisis. This program was developed and is offered by a Lake Forest-based organization called LEAD (Linking Efforts Against Drugs.)

All the Northfield Township School Districts and the Villages of Northbrook and Glenview are partnering together to offer this program. Our share of the cost is \$1,100 annually. The program will be in place for District 27 residents by end of January 2017.

The Board was enthusiastic in its support to join our neighboring Districts and Villages to offer Text-A-Tip.



District 27 Approves Tax Levy

The District 27 Board of Education approved the 2016 tax levy at the December 15th Board Meeting.

The tax levy represents the 2016 Consumer Price Index (CPI) of .7% and captures taxes from new and/or redeveloped property in the District. The total tax levy of 4.9% is an increase over the previous year's property tax extension for a total dollar amount of \$26,371,987.

Key financial assumptions providing the context for the recommendations include the District's equalized assessed valuation (property values), assessed valuation division by class, new property history, rate of inflation, and other economic factors that are impacting school funding.

District 27 continues to be in a strong financial position and remains one of the finest districts in the nation. This levy is one part of a conservative approach to financial planning that allows the District to maintain excellence while seeking to use the taxpayer dollars responsibly.

"The District works really hard to make this a sound and fiscal plan," said Board Member Mrs. Jamie Werhane.

"It's a beautiful thing," added Board President Mrs. Helen Melnick. "It's been four decades since we've had to go to the taxpayers for a referendum."

Other Updates

2017-2018 Calendar Approved

The Board of Education approved the calendar for the 2017-2018 school year.

School will begin for students on August 23rd, 2017 and the last day of school (with no emergency days) will be June 1st, 2018.

Winter vacation begins December 23rd, 2017 with school resuming on January 8th, 2018.

Spring break begins March 24th, 2017 with school resuming on April 2nd, 2018. [Link to Calendar](#)

Wood Oaks Spring Musical Approved

The Wood Oaks Spring Musical has been approved by the Board of Education. Students will be performing "High School Musical Jr."