



# Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen

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*Constance D. Evelyn, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools*

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Over the next couple of weeks, the Board and I will begin engagement in the Request for Proposal (RFP) process for the procurement of before and after care services in Valley Stream USD Thirteen for the 2019-20 school year. Our motivation for this endeavor is to identify the highest quality, and most responsive provider to meet the needs of our families. Other reasons include concerns submitted from parents over the years regarding available space in our existing programs. We also hope to achieve more flexibility and the enhancement of student learning activities beyond the school day. In fact, 2014 survey results we used to generate our current strategic plan lists increasing student learning activities beyond the school day as an area that our community wants us to examine.

Last year, we received some feedback regarding the timing of the RFP process for the provision of childcare services in our district. In the interest of transparency and engaging the trust of the community in this process, the District has engaged Thoughtexchange to facilitate your ability to share your thinking. This will create a timely opportunity for our parents to provide information about what features for our before and after care service they may want the district to realize. We will use this information to review and necessarily update the RFP document.

On Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> you will receive notification from the District regarding the Thought-exchange process that will be open between December 3<sup>rd</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>.

We look forward to partnering with you in this work. Thank you for your continued support and confidence.

Sincerely,

Constance D. Evelyn, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools