

# Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen

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Dear Families,

Thank you for participating in the Thoughtexchange process to help the district collect information from our school community about the desired characteristics of our before and after care program. District administration and the Board of Education reviewed the data that was garnered from this process and have moved forward with the Request for Proposal (RFP) process. The italicized information below was inserted in the RFP highlighting some of the top thoughts shared as measured by the rate of "starring" or agreement. These and other specifications were included in the RFP for our before and after care service.


*The District recently engaged families that utilize our before and after care services in an opportunity to share their thoughts about this part of our after school programming. The emergent characteristics of a before and after care program most highly favored by our families include:*

- 1. Program should ensure highly trained staff that know how to effectively work with all children;*
- 2. Program should have comprehensive homework help that really aids in completing the assignments;*
- 3. Program should include extracurricular activities that are engaging and focused on our children's interests; and*
- 4. Program should include flexibility relative to cost and schedule to meet the needs of our families.*

We will be sure to keep you informed of our progress as we move through this process.

Thank you.

Yours truly,



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Superintendent of Schools