**marcum-Illinois union**

**elementary school district**

February 26, 2014

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Beginning in the current school year (2013-14) the state of California is changing the way school districts are funded.  The new model, called the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), allows districts more freedom in how funds are spent but also requires the development of a Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) that links spending to specific district goals for student achievement.  Districts will now be held accountable to the specific ways in which they are spending money and how those decisions are improving student outcomes.

A key aspect of the LCAP process is the engagement of parents/guardians in providing input and feedback.  This will be facilitated through the formation of a Parent Advisory Committee (PAC).  The Marcum- Illinois Site Council is inviting all parents/guardians to a Parent Advisory Meeting on March 17th, 2014 at 3:15 pm in room 33.

**Local Control Funding Timeline**

March 3, 2014 Marcum-Illinois Certificated Teachers

March 4, 2014 Marcum-Illinois Classified Staff

March 5, 2014 Marcum- Illinois Site Council

March 17, 2014 Marcum-Illinois Parent Advisory Committee

 (If interested in attending contact Sharon McIntosh)

March 26, 2014 Parent Meeting

April, 2014 Parent Surveys

April 21, 2014 Marcum-Illinois Site Council /Parent Advisory Committee

May, 2014 Local Control Accountability Plan Public Hearing

June 2014 Adoption of LCAP and 2014-2015 Budget

If at any time you have a question or concern please feel free to contact me at

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Thank you,

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