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NORTH SHORE SCHOOL DISTRICT 112 CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER AND TREASURER RECEIVES SFO CERTIFICATION

Highland Park, Highwood and Fort Sheridan, IL – Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, Christopher Wildman was recently awarded the Certified Administrator of School Finance and Operations (SFO) certification by the Association for School Business Officials International (ASBO International).

The SFO designation is granted to highly qualified school business professionals who fulfill multiple requirements, including demonstrating certification eligibility (through work experience and education); passing a comprehensive competency-based exam that covers tasks, knowledge, and skills in of school business management; and adhering to the ASBO International Certification Code of Conduct. School business officials who have earned the SFO certification commit to ongoing professional development by undergoing recertification every three years.

The District 112 Business Office has been under the stewardship of Mr. Wildman since the summer of 2016. Mr. Wildman has made well-received changes to the internal and external financial reporting with the goal of continuing to improve on the District's commitment to excellence and clarity in financial reporting. Some of these changes include improvements to the monthly financial Treasurer's Reports, with a budget oversight component, as well as working towards a more participatory, zero-based budget process within all the District's departmental stakeholders.

"School business officials are the chief fiscal officers for school districts and hold an influential position in the community," says John Musso, CAE, RSBA, executive director of ASBO International. "By earning the SFO certification, professionals validate their specialized knowledge and demonstrate a commitment to high standards and ethical practice in school business management."

About ASBO International

The Association of School Business Officials International (www.asbointl.org) is a global professional association of more than 5,000 school business management professionals who are responsible for financial decisions in K–12 school districts, community colleges, universities, and state departments of education. Founded in 1910, it sets the standard for accountability, transparency, and integrity in school business management practices and provides professional growth opportunities and certification to advance the profession. ASBO International is

headquartered in Reston, Virginia, 25 miles west of Washington, D.C. For more information, please visit www.asbointl.org

About North Shore School District 112

The mission of North Shore School District 112, a community partnership committed to a world-class education, is to nurture every child to become an inspired learner, a well-rounded individual and contributing member of a global community by striving for excellence within an environment that fosters innovation, respect, engagement and intellectual inquiry.

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