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NSSD112 RECOGNIZED FOR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP AND TRANSPARENCY BY MULTIPLE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT ORGANIZATIONS

In the past month, North Shore School District 112 has received three of the most coveted recognitions in the area of public school finance. These include both the Association of School Business Officials International (ASBO) *Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting* and *Meritorious Budget Award*, as well as the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) *Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting*.

The District's Business Office has been under the stewardship of the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, Christopher 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.

"These awards demonstrate the District's commitment to the highest of standards when it comes to our financial reporting," said NSSD112 Co-Interim Superintendent Dr. Jane Westerhold. "We are very proud to recognize our Business Office and CFO Christopher Wildman for all of their work and achievements in the face of economic challenges at both the District and State level."

The District has been awarded the ASBO *Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting*, for twenty one successive years, the GFOA *Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting* for nineteen years, and the the ASBO *Meritorious Budget Award* for five years.

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.