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**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NEW BERLIN TO CLOSE GLEN PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR**

The School District of New Berlin has been involved in an extensive review of its short- and long-range facilities planning needs throughout the last year. Last spring, the Board of Education (BOE) commissioned research that would provide a report on the current state of facilities and that of future enrollment trends in the district. The Board received a final report with these details in October of 2011. The research findings allowed the District to utilize data to drive their decision-making of District facilities in the short- and long-term. Based on their findings, the BOE determined that there was excess capacity in the elementary schools. On Monday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012, at its regularly scheduled bi-monthly BOE meeting, the Board approved the closure of Glen Park Elementary School at the end of the current school year. They further directed management to continue planning for elementary boundary changes of the Glen Park School area in order to determine where the displaced Glen Park Elementary students will attend in the fall of 2012. District administration will provide regular updates to the Board of Education throughout the planning process, as recommendations for changes are solidified. The District will have specific boundary changes and transition plans confirmed prior to the end of the current school year.

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