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NEWS RELEASE

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(ROUND LAKE, IL) The Round Lake Area Schools District 116 School Finance Authority (SFA) has tapped a veteran administrator with nearly 30 years' experience in educational program evaluation, special education, and school improvement as the District's new Chief Educational Officer.

The SFA took action on August 25 to approve a three-year employment agreement with Dr. Janet C. Elenbogen, who is now the Director of Compliance Reporting for the Chicago Public Schools' Office of Research, Evaluation and Accountability. The District 116 Board of Education followed suit on August 26, approving an intergovernmental agreement with the SFA to employ Dr. Elenbogen on the SFA's behalf. She will begin her new duties on September 20, filling a vacancy created when former Chief Educational Officer Dr. Stan Mims resigned to take over as the administrator of East St. Louis School District 189 in July.

"The SFA and Board of Education are fortunate to have found an educational leader of Dr. Elenbogen's qualifications and strengths in the areas of educational standards and accountability", said SFA Chairman George Lingel in announcing Dr. Elenbogen's selection.

Dr. Elenbogen holds a master's degree in speech/language pathology from Northwestern University and a doctorate in Educational Administration and Supervision from Loyola University of Chicago. She is certified by the State of Illinois to serve as a public school superintendent, as well as a teacher, supervisor and administrator of special education programs.

The responsibilities she performs in her current position as Director of Compliance Reporting for the Chicago Public Schools help to secure over one-half billion dollars in funding for that system. They encompass collecting and analyzing student demographic trend data, developing programs relating to local school improvement, student records management, and coordinating the investigation and resolution of discrimination complaints. Dr. Elenbogen serves as one of the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation's 11 certified ambassadors in Illinois, and has taught and written extensively in the areas of shared decision-making, education program evaluation, and school improvement.

Dr. Elenbogen indicated that she is thrilled to be part of the Round Lake Education team. "It is a privilege to play a leadership role in providing quality education to the students of Round Lake School District #116. I look forward to working with the schools, parents, and community."

[For additional information regarding the appointment of Dr. Elenbogen, please contact Mr. Dennis Stonewall, Chief Executive Officer, at 847.270.9000].

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