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Last week, the River Valley School District operational referendum vote passed for the next three school years. Professionally and personally, I am pleased by this result. Our community has voted to continue to provide River Valley students, our students, a comprehensive, high quality, exceptional education.

As previously mentioned, this vote will allow us to continue to do the important work that we do focused on our students. We take the challenge to ensure that all of our students exit high school college and career ready. We want our students to be engaged citizens and lifelong learners, eager to tackle the problems that will be presented to them both individually and as a society.

In addition, the three incumbents running for School Board, John Bettinger, Sara Young, and Jeff Maier were reelected. This continuity will help our school district continue to move forward in a positive way. I appreciate that one of our Board seats was contested. Far too often, few people are interested in running for local elections such as Village, Township, and School Boards and many, if not most, seats of our local elections are held uncontested.

The referendum vote also makes it clear that we need to continue working on making River Valley a more unified school district.

Sincerely,

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