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RE: CCS Superintendent Search Focus Group

Dear Parent:

The Columbus City Schools Board of Education has begun the important process of searching for our next superintendent, and has contracted with the executive search firm, Hazard, Young, Attea & Associates (HYA) to assist the Board with this process.

The Board of Education is seeking the input of parents on desired characteristics and skills that they would like to see in our next superintendent. This is an important decision for our school district and our community and your input in this process is vital to ensuring we get the best possible candidate matching our needs. Specifically, we are inviting parents of students who have been identified as Gifted and Talented to join us in attending a special focus group to be facilitated by the HYA consultants. If you are unable to attend the focus group please know that you can also provide feedback via online survey. The survey can be found on the Columbus City Schools website or accessed directly at the following link: <https://surveyadmin.ecragroup.com/index.php?sid=39612&lang=en>

The focus group meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, February 13, 2013, at 9:30 a.m.** The meeting will take place at **270 East State Street in the Board Assembly Room.** If you have any questions or would like to RSVP, please contact Jason Smith in the District's Board Services & Government Affairs Office. Mr. Smith can be reached at (614) 365-5790 or via email at jsmith@columbus.k12.oh.us.

On behalf of the Columbus City Schools Board of Education, thank you for taking the time to provide your input into this important decision for our school district.

Respectfully,

Carol L. Perkins
Board President