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Dear Parents,

As you know, last year's education legislation opened the door for some powerful changes to the way we think about education in Indiana. We need to take a close look at everything we do with one question in mind: How is this going to help raise student achievement? Research tells us that one of the most important things that we can do is make sure that every classroom is led by an effective teacher, and supporting teachers will be one of our major focuses in the coming year.

The first step is improving the way we evaluate teachers. We need to ensure that evaluations provide teachers with regular, valuable feedback on their performance and connect them with opportunities to take their skills to the next level. Our new system is designed to do just that, and all teachers will receive annual evaluations using this new process beginning in the 2012-13 school year as required under the new legislation.

Looking ahead, we're committed to providing regular updates as well as answers to any questions you may have as we begin implementing a new teacher evaluation system in our schools. I look forward to sharing more in the weeks and months to come.

Sincerely,

Sam Pritchard

Principal

Northeastern Elementary School

"Northeastern Elementary students, staff, families, and community:
Working together to build a better tomorrow one lesson at a time."