## LAKE STATION COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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Dear Polk Elementary School Students and Parents:

On Thursday, May 25, 2017, the Lake Station School Board reluctantly voted to close Polk Elementary School as one part of our cost cutting measures the school district must do to live within our means because of inadequate state funding. This was a very emotional and difficult decision to make. With the decision made, we now look to the future.

Our goal is to make this transition for our child(ren) to their new school as smooth as possible. In our efforts to do that, we will be sending information home by mail and posting information on the Lake Station School website and our district Facebook page throughout the summer. It is very important that you check to make sure Polk School has your current address and phone number so you receive school information about next year.

The school board will begin working on re-districting the Polk School boundaries. This means some students will go to Bailey Elementary while others will go to Hamilton Elementary. Information will be sent to you informing you where your child(ren) will attend school next year. You will also be notified of school open houses where you and your child(ren) can tour their new school and meet the principal.

I know and understand this news is disappointing. It is to all of us. I am sure if we all work together with a positive attitude and present a positive outlook to our children, we can all make this change as smooth as possible for them.

Sincerely,

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Superintendent of Schools

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