

## Park Forest – Chicago Heights School District 163

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Good morning Parents and Guardians of School District 163!

Today marks the last day of school and is a very exciting day for all students! As you know, this is a full day of school, and students will be dismissed at their regular time. All schools have special safety measures to remind students to go straight home. We encourage you to meet your younger children at their bus stops.

Summer is also an important time for learning! We hope that all students will nurture their education by continuing to read daily, play challenging math games, and watch educational TV programming. Please explore some of the fantastic learning opportunities right here in our backyard. The Wetlands Discovery Center is a 90-acre park considered one of the gems in our community, as it is the habitat of over 140 native plants and a myriad of species of birds. Or consider visiting the Park Forest House Museum. The museum lets you become acquainted with the community's unique history as the first fully-planned, post-World War II suburb. Last but certainly not least, visit our local libraries as they have many innovative and exciting activities planned.

We congratulate your children for their accomplishments this year, and we want to thank you for working with our school staff as partners in education. Have a safe and fun-filled summer! We look forward to seeing you at the start of next school year!

Sincerely,

Joyce Carmine, Interim Superintendent of Schools