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Christopher A. Koch, Ed.D.
State Superintendent of Education

August 27, 2012

Dear Superintendent:

Public Act 93-0489 requires the State Board of Education and the Capital Development Board to file a comprehensive assessment report of the capital needs of all school districts to the General Assembly before January 1, 2013.

In an effort to compile the assessment needs, we are requesting that all school districts complete and submit the *Capital Needs Assessment Survey* by **October 15, 2012**. The surveying instrument has been attached for your convenience and may also be accessed on either of the following websites: www.isbe.net/finance or www.cdb.state.il.us.

The information gathered from this survey will be used to project future statewide capital needs for Pre-Kindergarten through 12th grade school districts. The 2007 survey received 450 school district responses and reflected capital needs of more than 8.2 billion dollars. For the 2009 survey only 456 school districts responded, but reflected a need of 7.6 billion dollars and the 2011 survey received 618 responses and a 9.9 billion dollar need. It is important that school districts respond to this survey to continue to convey to Legislators the growing need of capital improvements required in our schools. We are also asking the Regional Superintendents to assist districts, if necessary, in completing the form and to assist us in ensuring 100% participation of school districts. If you would like to receive a copy of past surveys your district submitted to ISBE, please send us an email or call (217)785-8779 and a copy will be faxed or emailed to you.

Completed forms can be submitted to ISBE by emailing to finance1@isbe.net, or by mailing to:

School Business Services
100 North First Street (N-330)
Springfield, Illinois 62777-0001

An electronic submittal is preferred so that electronic copies can be maintained for your future use.

If you have any questions, please contact Christine Kolaz, Illinois State Board of Education at (217) 785-8779 or Marcy Joerger, Capital Development Board at (217)782-8708.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Jim Underwood.

Jim Underwood
Executive Director
Capital Development Board

Handwritten signature of Christopher A. Koch.

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State Superintendent of Education
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cc: Regional Superintendents