# Manhattan School District 114

# "Where We Succeed Together"

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### Mission Statement.....

The Staff. Administration and Board of Education of Manhattan District 114 are committed to promoting excellence in student achievement and student behavior enabling children to become successful life-long learners.

Mr. Mike Rorex, Coordinator-Administrator **IBEW Local 150 Training Center** 19800 W. South Arsenal Rd. Wilmington, IL. 60481

Dear Mr. Rorex,

I have already thanked Joe D'Agostino for his assistance with our recently completed asphalt pavement replacement project at Manhattan Junior High School, but I wanted to make sure that I did not forget to thank you, as well. I readily recognize that Joe would not have been able to help us if he did not receive your support. Therefore, please accept this letter as a small sign of my appreciation for your assistance, as well.

As superintendent of schools I have had the fortune of having a few associations with IBEW Local 150. First of all, I have known one of your members, Scott Mancke, for 28 years. Scott currently serves as Board Vice-president. He has been a very active member of our Board of Education for approximately 26 years. His level of dedication to our district, especially our children is unparalleled. IBEW Local 150 should be very proud to have members like Scott who are willing to step forward and serve the needs of children. It was Scott that introduced us to Joe D'Agostino. Second, I have attended past Will County Emergency Management meetings that IBEW Local 150 has hosted. Third, as last year's chairman and current executive committee member for the Three Rivers Education Partnership I am aware that you will soon be hosting one of our upcoming professional development sessions for Will County teachers. We appreciate that very much. Finally, last year I had the opportunity to tour the training center. To say the least, I was impressed!

With all of this in mind I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your support of Scott, the safety of our schools and the support given for helping us further educate our teachers about the various jobs, skills and trainings that exist within the fields of work that Local 150 supports. And, once again thank you for allowing our school district to be the direct recipient of competent advice and assistance. We were able to accomplish a well-designed project at a reduced cost, and this allowed us the ability to redirect our financial resources toward further meeting the needs of our students.

As I noted in the letter I sent Joe, if there is anything I can ever do to help you, please contact me.

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