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Chicago's 43rd Ward



## School Strike Contingency Plans

### Property Tax Appeal Deadline September 17th

43rd Ward residents who live in Lakeview Township (north of Fullerton Ave.) have until **September 17th, 2012** to file an appeal of their property tax assessment. If you have questions, you can either attend Commissioner Gainer's property tax workshop in Uptown or stop by Commissioner Gainer's satellite office hours **today** at the 43rd Ward Office. Click here for more information.

**Commission Gainer**  
**43rd Ward Office Hours**  
2523 N. Halsted  
Friday, September 7  
2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

**Property Tax Workshop**  
Thursday, September 13  
the Uptown Public  
Library  
929 W. Buena  
6:30pm-8:00pm



43rd Ward Office  
2523 N. Halsted  
[www.ward43.org](http://www.ward43.org)

Office Hours:

Dear Friends,

I support Mayor Emanuel in his efforts to reach an equitable agreement with the Chicago Teachers Union. But as someone who has experience in labor relations from the private sector, I know it is important to be prepared. That is why I am pleased that CPS is implementing its first-ever "Children First" contingency plan to help parents mitigate the effects of a strike.

In the event of a strike on Monday morning, 144 schools throughout the city will be open to provide activities such as art, writing and gym. The **hours will be 8:30 - 12:30** so that the schools can provide breakfast and lunch. The schools will be staff by principals, central office employees and non-CTU staff. Instruction will not take place.

In the 43rd Ward the sites are:

**Newberry Math and Science Academy - 700 W. Willow for elementary students**  
**Walter Payton High School - 1034 N. Wells for high school students**

Parents are encouraged to pre-register if you intend to send your child, although no child will be turned away. Please go to [www.cps.edu/childrenfirst](http://www.cps.edu/childrenfirst) to register and for further information. More questions? Click [here](#).

If there is a strike, it is unlikely that we will know about it until Monday morning. So please stay tuned and we'll keep you informed.

### **Grid Garbage is Coming - Sept. 17**

Starting September 17, the 43rd Ward will switch over to the new grid garbage collection system. **All garbage in the 43rd Ward will be picked up on Tuesdays.** We'll have more details next week. Click [here](#) for more

Monday  
9 a.m.-7 p.m.  
Tuesday-Thursday  
9 a.m.-6 p.m.  
Friday  
9 a.m.-12 p.m. & 2 p.m.-6 p.m.

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Sincerely,



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