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An Interview with Donald Daily

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Donald Daily, an Illinois school superintendent involved with the consolidation of the Monmouth and Roseville school districts, was interviewed on the date listed below as part of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library's *Agriculture in Illinois – School District Reorganization* Oral History project.

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Biographical Information Overview of Interview: Donald Daily was born on April 17, 1951 in Monmouth, Illinois and grew up in Kirkwood, Illinois. He graduated from Yorkwood High School in 1969. He received a B.S. degree in 1973 from Iowa Wesleyan College and an M.S. degree from Western Illinois University in 1984. He taught elementary level classes and physical education in Monmouth, Illinois beginning in 1973. In 1987, he became principal of Oquawka and Biggsville Grade Schools (Union District 115). In 1992, he became principal of Central Junior High in Monmouth and received an education degree from Western Illinois University in 1995. In 1998 he became superintendent of schools for Monmouth. After a referendum where the new Monmouth-Roseville District was formed, he served as its first superintendent in 2005. He retired in June 2006. He currently works in the Regional Office of the Education for Warren, Henderson and Mercer. Don is married and has two grown sons.

Daily discussed at length, the merger of the Monmouth-Roseville school districts required a state waiver, as the two districts do not border one another.

Subject Headings/Key Words: school reorganization; school consolidation referendum; state waiver; Monmouth, Illinois; Roseville, Illinois; Warren County, Illinois & school consolidation; 1985 School Reform Act; school consolidations; state incentives feasibility study

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