## From the community: "The Ground Up" partners with Clare Woods Academy in Wheaton



Joffrey Benter (left) of The Ground Up surveys the flower beds at Clare Woods Academy in Wheaton with John Utterback, Principal of CWA (Posted by Mike Gresk, Community Contributor)

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In 2013, Joffrey Benter and Debbie Zimmerman founded The Ground Up. Today, The Ground Up services clients throughout Du Page and Kane counties. "Our mission is to help you get the most from every part of the garden and lawn. The Ground Up uses environmentally sound practices with integrated techniques to create garden spaces that are fresh, full of beauty and enjoyable for years to come." said Betner. "We want to teach, plant and spend time with others that love plants as much as we do. We are a gardening company, not landscapers", Benter emphasized. Benter recently reached-out to Clare Woods Academy. He offered to work with the Academy to re-develop their garden and lawn spaces. "We are thrilled that the Ground Up will be working to improve and upgrade our Wheaton campus", stated John Utterback, Principal of Clare Woods Academy. "The Ground Up

brings a real knowledge of environmentally approved practices along with the ability to execute those practices." For more information about the Ground Up visit their website www.gardenmyhome.com. Feel free to call 630-447-8207 with questions and to schedule an appointment. For more information about Clare Woods Academy and to schedule a tour call 630-289-4221. Further information is also available at www.blcinc.org

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