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Freeport School District #145 Monthly e-Newsletter

Board of Education Meeting Updates

During its meeting on February 7, 2017, the FSD145 Board of Education:

- Reviewed the district's expulsion procedures to consider the position of the designated person that conducts expulsion hearings for the school district.
- Considered the renewal of the CollegeNow agreement with Highland Community College for the 2017-2018 school year.
- Approved the Freeport School District and CareerTec Bills, as well as the Personnel Report.

During its meeting on February 21, 2017, the FSD145 Board of Education:

- Congratulated Mr. Ben Asche, Carl Sandburg Asst. Principal, on being nominated as Asst. Principal of the Year of the Illinois Principals Association's Northwest Region.
- Recognized the Freeport High School National Honor Society for their accomplishments and acts of service.
- Received a monthly update on the finances of the district. This update included:
 - * January 2017 Revenues
 - * January 2017 Expenses
 - * January 2017 Board Investment Report
- Received a mid-year update on the progress of the district's Department of Curriculum and Instruction relating to their top priorities for 2016-2017.
- Considered requested changes to the Differential Schedule for the 2017-2018 school year.
- Received an update on the implementation of PBIS in all FSD schools through a presentation of second quarter data.
- Approved the Freeport School District and Career-Tec Bills, as well as the Personnel Report.
- Approved the renewal of the CollegeNow agreement with Highland Community College for the 2017-2018 school year.

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You can access the complete packet of materials for the February 7th and February 21st school board meetings by clicking here.



At its Feb. 17th meeting, the FSD Board of Education recognized Mr. Ben Asche, Carl Sandburg Asst. Principal, for being nominated as the Illinois Principals Association Northwest Region's Assistant Principal of the Year.

Notes & Reminders

Kindergarten Registration

FSD Kindergarten Registration for the 2017-2018 school year takes place until March 24th. If you have a student who will be 5 years old by September 1, 2017, register them by using [our new online registration system](#). Families also need to bring proof of residency and a copy of the child's certified birth certificate to the FSD Enrollment & Transportation Center (2037 W. Galena Ave.) to finalize enrollment. For families without internet access, computers are available for use at the Enrollment & Transportation Center and at the Boys & Girls Club (511 S. Liberty Ave.).

It is important that students are registered and enrolled for Kindergarten as early as possible so the district can ensure that staffing and curriculum resources are in place. If you have questions, please contact the FSD Enrollment & Transportation Center at 815-232-0580.

World Arts Festival

The 15th Annual FSD145 World Arts Festival will be held on Thursday, March 9, 2017, from 4:00 to 9:30 p.m., at Freeport High School. The event will feature visual art projects created by FSD students in Kindergarten through 12th grade and all band, orchestra, and choir students will perform music selections which highlight other cultures and countries. Over 1000 students, representing almost one-third of the Freeport School District population, will be featured at this year's festival.

Commercial ethnic food vendors will also be selling entrees and snacks at the food court in the Freeport High School cafeteria. Please come and enjoy the sights and sounds of our talented students at this fun and entertaining event at Freeport High School on March 9th. There is no admission fee; free-will donations will be accepted.



Students in Ms. Jackson's kindergarten class at Empire Elementary listen to books on the computer.

FSD In the News

Superintendent's View Columns:

- * [Kindergarten Builds the Foundation for Learning](#)
- * [Partnerships Make Our Schools Strong](#)

Articles:

- * [The Buzz: FHS Students Present Winning Speeches to Public](#)
- * [Superheroes Descend on City Hall in Middle School Play](#)
- * [FSD Hopes New Reading Program will Boost Test Scores](#)
- * [Pretzel Bash Helps Support FHS Teams](#)
- * [Freeport Takes 8th at Girls State Bowling](#)
- * [Dixon is 1st Pretz State Swimming/Diving Qualifier in 10 Years](#)
- * [Freeport High School Announces First Semester Honor Rolls](#)

LOOKING AHEAD

March 3 - [Aspiring Artists Exhibition Opens](#)

5-7 PM, Freeport Art Museum (reception);
Exhibition runs Mar. 3 to 24, Hours Vary

March 4 - [Moonlight Serenade](#)

7-10:30 PM, Freeport Masonic Temple

March 7 - [Board of Education Meeting](#)

6 PM, Carl Sandburg Middle School

March 8, 10, & 11 - [Art to Art](#)

7:30 PM, Freeport High School Room 228

March 9 - [FSD World Arts Festival](#)

4-9:30 PM, Freeport High School

March 13 to 17 - [Illinois Science Assessment](#)

Gr. 5, 8, & HS Biology will participate.
Testing times vary.

March 14 - [School Improvement Day](#)

3 Hour Day

March 20 to 24 - [Spring Break](#)

No School. Classes resume March 27.

March 28 to April 21 - [PARCC Testing](#)

Gr. 3-8 will participate. Testing times vary.

Mar. 30 & 31, Apr. 1, 6, 7 & 8 - [Showtime 37](#)

7:30 PM, Jeannette Lloyd Theatre

Tickets available at: fsd145.org/tickets

April 4 - [Board of Education Meeting](#)

6 PM, Carl Sandburg Middle School

Please watch for further information from your child's school about other activities & events.

For a schedule of athletic events, visit:
<http://il.8to18.com/FreeportHS/>

Student Spotlights:

- * [Jaleia](#)
- * [Tyler](#)
- * [Delaney](#)
- * [Lucas](#)



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