

# PRETZEL NEWS



Freeport School District #145 Monthly e-Newsletter

## Board of Education Meeting Updates

During its meeting on March 7, 2017, at Carl Sandburg Middle School, 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.
- Reviewed a proposed update of Facility Usage Policy 410.08.
- Reviewed a proposed update to Policy 702.06 Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment.
- Considered a property tax abatement request for the Rose Ridge Housing Development project.
- Approved the Freeport School District and CareerTec Bills, the Personnel Report with an addendum, and the Door Replacement Bid.
- Appointed Dr. Patty Burke, Dr. Peter Flynn, and Dr. Patrick McDermott as Expulsion Hearing Officers for the district.
- Approved requested changes to the Differential Schedule for the 2017-2018 school year.
- Approved a resolution for the non-renewal of non-final year probationary teachers and part-time certified staff.
- Approved contract extensions through 2018-2019 for the following district administrators: Nita White, Chris Shockey, Duane Meighan, Patrick McDermott, and Jack Code.

There was no meeting of the FSD145 Board of Education on March 21st due to Spring Break.



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You can access the complete [packet of materials for the March 7th school board meeting by clicking here.](#)



*FSD hosted its 15th Annual World Arts Festival on March 9th. The festival featured visual artwork and musical performances by over 1000 K-12 students from all district schools. Pictured here, 6th grade orchestra students from FMS and CSMS perform a number during the festival.*

## Notes & Reminders

### 2017-18 Kindergarten & Returning Student Registration

FSD Kindergarten Registration for the 2017-2018 school year is now open. If you have a student who will be 5 years old by September 1, 2017, and who does not currently attend an FSD preschool, register them by using our online registration system and then 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.

Returning student registration for the 2017-2018 school year will begin April 24th and will also take place online. Please watch for more information coming soon. For families without internet access, computers are available for use at the Enrollment & Transportation Center and at the Boys & Girls Club. If you have questions, please contact the FSD Enrollment & Transportation Center at 815-232-0580.

### Summer University 2017

Summer University 2017 will take place Monday through Thursday mornings from June 12th to July 6th. Summer University is an exciting and unique opportunity for students in grades K-8 to wrap up work from their current grade level, get a boost for the next grade level, and/or engage in a fun and exciting enrichment class of their choice. Keep an eye out for more information on course offerings and registration coming soon!

### PARCC Testing

FSD students in grades 3 to 8 are participating in the PARCC assessment this spring. Testing will be completed by April 21st. Click here for resources on how to support your student, or click here to read a letter about the PARCC test from FSD curriculum staff.

### FSD In the News

#### Articles:

- \* [FHS to Present Student-Run Dessert Theatre: Art to Art](#)
- \* [Arts and Music Blend Cultures in FSD World Arts Festival](#)
- \* [Freeport Students Hit Road with Showtime 37](#)
- \* [FHS Key Club Fills Needs in the Community](#)
- \* [Freeport School Board Hopefuls Discuss Goals](#)

#### "Every Pretzel's Voice" Posts:

- \* [Taylor Park Principal On the Importance of Family Involvement](#)
- \* [Jones-Farrar Magnet School Hosts Kindness Campaign](#)
- \* [FHS Student Profiles Teacher Who Overcame Adversity](#)
- \* [Marching Madness at Blackhawk Encourages Physical Activity](#)

#### Superintendent's View Columns:

- \* [Spring Up & Celebrate Our Students' Successes](#)

#### Student Spotlights:

[Aubrie](#)      [Antonio](#)      [Josh](#)      [Sydney](#)



### LOOKING AHEAD

#### 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](http://fsd145.org/tickets)*

#### April 4 - School Board Elections

*Please contact the County Clerk's office for more information.*

#### April 4 - Board of Education Meeting

*6 PM, Carl Sandburg Middle School*

#### April 14 - NO SCHOOL, Special Holiday

#### April 17 - NO SCHOOL, Special Holiday

#### April 18 - Board of Education Meeting

*6 PM, Carl Sandburg Middle School*

#### April 27 - School Improvement Day

*3 Hour Day*

#### May 21 - Freeport High School Graduation

*2 PM, Freeport High School West Gym*

***\*If there are no more school cancellations between now and the end of the school year, the last student attendance day for FSD145 schools will be Friday, June 2.***

**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/>



*Gr. 1-4 students in FSD's High Academic Potential Program (HAPP), based at Center Elementary, presented their projects to the public at their Academic Fair in March.*

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