

Regular meeting of the Freeport School District Board of Education

May 21, 2024

This report provides highlights of the board meeting and are not the official meeting minutes.

The Board received Numerous Reports that will be further detailed in the Board Meeting Minutes:

Recognitions & Celebrations

Congratulations were extended to:

The Class of 2024, that graduated on Sunday.

Our 2024 Those Who Excel winners who were recognized at a banquet sponsored by the IL State Board of Education on Saturday, in Bloomington.

Members of the FHS Girls Track team who competed and placed 5th in the 4x200M relay at the State Track Meet last weekend in Charleston. Team members include Aaliyah Martin, A'nyla Routen, Ta'Leiah McElroy, and Ta'Niah McElroy

Members of the FMS Boys & Girls Track team who competed in the State Track Meet this past weekend. Jae McClain placed 3rd in the 4A 8th grade shot put and Micah Richmond placed 6th in the 4A 8th grade 100 meter

FHS new graduate Owen Helm was wished well as he represents FHS at the state Tennis Series beginning tomorrow.

Other Supt. Report Items

Enrollment & Enrollment Projections

The District's current enrollment is 3749. Projections for 2024-2025 enrollment were provided by school. The District is receiving some intake of students from Aquin.

Attendance Data

As a District our average daily attendance for April was 90.51%, the state average is 92.50%

ACT Testing to Return in IL Schools

Beginning next spring, high school Jr's in IL will move back to taking the ACT vs. the SAT.

Summer Learning Updates

Elementary (K-6): 500+ students enrolled. All students will receive reading, math, and enrichment opportunities. The students will also be provided with educational and fun field trips.

Middle School (7-8): 51 students enrolled. FMS will once again be offering summer learning through their mentoring program, which combines academics and social-emotional learning that will bring them into the community to learn about local businesses.

High School (9-12): 200 students at FHS will be taking advantage of credit recovery offerings as they work toward meeting high school graduation requirements. Many students will also be taking advantage of the summer driver's education program. S.I.T.E. (Banks-Bergagna) & Freeport Alternative HighSchool will also provide Summer programming.

Summer Learning Out There

Open to all FSD students, **Summer Learning Out There** is the manifestation of our commitment to be "In partnership with families, students, and the community." This summer, FSD145 Students will have the opportunity to earn stamps by visiting community partners throughout the summer as a reminder that, while school may be over, the learning never stops!

K-6 MAP Test Results

An overview of grades K-6 test data was provided by Dr. Cloat. This is an update on creation of the Program Options Task Force as well as development of the Project Plan to explore program options for students in FSD 145. The fall to spring growth was highlighted by grade level. Specific highlights were provided for each school

The Board heard the following Information Reports:

The **monthly financial report** was provided by Dr. Patrick McDermott.

Information Item 7.2 - **Program Options Task Force** was removed from the agenda at the start of the meeting.

Updated Job Description for Instructional Technology Coordinator

This is just one of the job description updates that will be coming to the Board over the next 12 months as we work to clearly align job descriptions with the strategic plan and clarify roles and duties for staff and supervisors.

Press Issue (Policy Reference Education Subscription Service) was reviewed .

In other business, the Board:

Approved the Consent Agenda

A. Freeport School District and Career TEC Bills

B. Personnel Report May 21, 2024 & Personnel Addendum May 21, 2024

Took Action in Favor of the Following Previously Presented Items

- A. Boys & Girls Club Community Grant
- B. Class Hero
- C. Cebrin Goodman Teen Institute Proposal
- D. College Now Agreement SY 2025
- E. 5-8 Report Card
- F. ECRA Renewal

Committee Reports

Reports were provided by:

Member Charlene Williams for Curriculum & Instruction

The public is always invited and encouraged to attend Freeport School District Board of Education meetings. The next scheduled regular meeting will be held on June 18, 2024, at 6:00 PM. Meetings are held at the FSD administrative office, located at 500 E. South St, and can be accessed virtually, (unless otherwise communicated). Information on joining the meetings can be found [here](#).