


The F5 Fishing Tournament is an annual event sponsored by the Elm Valley Men's Community Club.

## Preschool Screenings at FASD <br> By Mrs. Jenny Anliker

 Frederick Area School DistrictFrederick Area School District will be conducting their annual preschool screenings on Thursday, March 1st.

We invite you to bring your child to this very beneficial screening. The areas of concepts, fine motor, gross motor, language, speech, vision and hearing will be screened.

Screenings are for children who meet the following criteria:

- Age three by March 1, 2018
- Planning on attending
 Kindergarten in the Fall of 2018
- Ages of 3 to 5 with a concern in the areas to be screened

Kindergarten registration will also be held on this day.
Parents of kindergarten students need to bring the following:

- A certified copy of your child's birth certificate (certified copies of birth certificates may be obtained at the Brown County Courthouse if your child was born in South Dakota)
- The child's social security number
- Completed health certification (can be printed in the Frederick Area School Off ice if immunizations occurred in South Dakota)
- Completed Frederick Area School District registration form

Please contact Frederick Area School to set up a time to have your child screened. We will be testing between $8: 30 \mathrm{am}$ and $1: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ on Thursday, March 1st. Please call 329-2145 by February 26th to schedule a time for your child's screening. We look forward to seeing you!

## Media \& Children, The Effects

By Ashley Larsen Frederick Area Counselor


Media and your child
Our children's connection to media is everywhere, coming from more sources and more screens than we probably remember when we were kids: TV, movies, video games, handheld games, computers, cell phones, I-pads, I-pods, watches, etc.

There are many wonderful uses for media that provide conveniences and education for us and our families. There are also dangers in media use that as parents and educators, we are tasked to protect our children from. With all the amazing advances in technology, we cannot forget to make advances in how we protect our
children from media that is notage-appropriate.

It's important to remember that children's brains are not fully developed, specifically, the part of the brain (prefrontal cortex) responsible for critical thinking, judgement, problemsolving, and impulse control. When a child or adolescent views media showing violence, sexual content, or harmful stereotypes, their own ideas, feelings, and behaviors are impacted. Without some guidance from a trusted grown-up, repeated exposure
to these kinds of media may lead to an increase in aggression and a decrease in empathy.

For more information and research about media use and children, please visit: https://www.commonsensemedia.org/research.


## Quick tips for setting media guidelines

- Limit the amount of screen time to $1-2$ hours a day (or less if you notice it is negatively impacting your child).
- Model screen-free times/activities (like dinner time, for example).
- Keep children's bedrooms free of screen media (no TV, game systems, laptops, I-pads, cell phones, etc).
- Preview media that your child is interested in before you allow them to view/play it.
- Co-view media (if appropriate) with your child and discuss the content - this will help them develop critical thinking skills.
- Research social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram) and closely monitor their usage. Remember, these sites are typically for ages 13 and up. - Stick to rating recommendations. They exist for a reason.
- Use your parental judgement. Your children are counting on you to set their limits!



# 2018 Legislation and More 

by Jeff Kosters

Superintendent / HS Principal


It is February already, and that means we are well into the legislative session. The ground hog supposedly saw his shadow too, so I guess we get another 6 weeks of winter. Considering the winter we have had thus far, that does not seem so horrible.

It has been a quiet session thus far in Pierre, as there have not been any big-ticket items on the education front being discussed. In recent years, the primary topic has been teacher pay, and that was addressed a couple years ago when the Blue Ribbon Task Force came up with recommendations to increase teacher salaries. Thanks to their efforts, legislation was passed that saw teacher salaries increase significantly, with our district teachers seeing an increase of $\$ 8,000$ over the past two years. More recently, several districts had to appear in front of the accountability board because their districts did not meet one or both of the mandatory two criteria that the funding formula required. Thankfully, Frederick Area has met all accountability requirements, but for districts less fortunate, it forced some to reopen negotiations in order for districts to comply with the two accountability pieces of the legislation. Legislation states that education should receive an annual increase of three percent or the rate of CPI; whichever is less. CPI is currently at 1.7 percent, so hopefully the legislature will properly fund education with a 1.7 percent increase.

One of the topics administrators knew was coming up centered on home-schooled children and became HB 1120. The billif passed would provide equal access for all students to activities sponsored by the SDHSAA. The primary argument by schools against such legislation centers on accountability. Students enrolled in school have to keep their grades up in order to be eligible to participate in activities week to week. Tracking academic performance for kids who are home schooled becomes very difficult, if not impossible, as there is no way to ensure that the same standards being met in school are also being met at home. The House Education Committee voted 9-5 against the bill, so for the time being, districts will still be able to make decisions locally involving participation in activities by their home-schooled students.

Speaking of activities, the boys and girls' basketball seasons are rapidly winding down, with tournament play beginning on both sides later this month. The girls will begin post-season play on Tuesday, February 20th, and the boys will start one week later on the 27 th. It is premature at this point, but there is a possibility that both of them could potentially host a home game in the postseason. Currently, they both sit in the number five spot in our ten-team region; but the potential to move up to number four and host is a good possibility. Both of the State B Tournaments will be played in Aberdeen at the Barnett Center this year, with the girls starting on March 8th and the boys on March 15th.

# 2018 Testing Nearing 

by Jessica Ring genberg K-8 Principal



As spring approaches, so does a potential stressful time of year for teachers and students-state testing. The Frederick Area School District will begin administering state tests in English Language Arts, Math, and Science starting Monday, March 26th. Testing will be complete by Thursday, April 26th. All students in grades 3-8 and 11 are required to take the standardized test (Smarter Balanced) in English and Math. Students in grades 5,8 , and 11 also take an additional test in Science. Each test is broken into sections and it takes about 4 hours to complete per subject. Children are not tested for full days at a time, rather in smaller chunks of time that allow them to maintain better focus. Below is a rough calendar of when children will be testing, if exact times are needed, please contact the school. It is greatly appreciated by all of the teachers and staff that students try to avoid having appointments during testing times.

|  | ELA | Math | Science |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ Grade | March 26-29, mornings | April 9-12, afternoons | N/A |
| $4^{\text {th }}$ Grade | April 16-19, afternoons | April 23-26, afternoons | N/A |
| $5^{\text {th }}$ Grade | March 26-29, afternoons | April 9-12, mornings | April 23-26, mornings |
| $6^{\text {th }}$ Grade | April 3-6, mornings | April 16-19, mornings | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| $7^{\text {th }}$ Grade | March 26-29, afternoons | April 3-6, afternoons | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| $8^{\text {th }}$ Grade | March 26-29, afternoons | April 3-6, afternoons | April 16-19, mornings |
| $11^{\text {th }}$ Grade | April 9-12, mornings | April 16-19, mornings | April 4-6, mornings |

These tests are not tests in which students can study for, but rather show students, parents, the Frederick Area School, universities, and state what students have learned. Explaining the importance of the test and encouraging students to do their best is one of the greatest things you can do to help children feel less stress and perform more successfully on these assessments. Having a good night's sleep and a healthy breakfast also helps students start the day off right. If you have any testing questions or concerns or are just wondering how you might help, please contact classroom teachers or myself at any time. Together we will achieve great things!


PHOTOBYFASDJJORNALISM
Maddie Nordine strides into an open lane for a lay up against Britton-Hecla on February 13th, 2018.


Trevor Sumption threads through the Oakes boys basketball defense during a game in Frederick, SD.



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# Workshop Brings New Ideas to FASD in 2018 

By Hannah Sumption FASD Journalism

Many teachers in the area started off the new year with a workshop. The workshop was held in Warner on January 3, 2018. The Frederick Area School sent all $\mathrm{K}-12$ certified staff to this training. Kirsten Bell was the keynote speaker for the day and she really emphasized how stress negatively affects your life. This is very true with students Bell said, she then went on to suggest how teachers can help by relieving some of our stress.
"I have started having the kids get up

## Junior High Girls Basketball

By Madellyne Nordine FASD Journalism
Junior High girls wrapped up their season prior to Christmas break. Many of the basketball players were sixth graders and showed a lot of improvement. The Junior High girls focused mainly on the fundamentals of basketball.

The girls came in every practice ready to improve at the sport. They made games and practices competitive and fun. "I look forward to working with them and watching them grow as individuals and a team," said Coach Sumption.
and move around more often in the classroom," says Mrs. Sumption. She explains, "One thing that Kirsten Bell said was that kids' brains can truly focus for 20 minutes before they start to lose interest. I've really started to notice this, and by making them move around it helps them stay on task."

Mrs. Sumption is not the only
teacher to implement strategies learned at the workshop. Other staff have also seen improvement in student attentiveness and overall mood using similar methods.

There are also many studies that link movement with improved IQ scores. All in all it was a very productive workshop and opened the eyes for some teachers about our students' needs.



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# FREDERICK AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT \#6-2 

 February 12, 2018The meeting was called to order on February 12, 2018 at 6:00pm by Chairman Rich Schlosser. Members present were Dan Nickelson, Jon Ellwein and Eric Sumption. Others present were Superintendent/9-12 Principal/Athletic Director Jeff Kosters and Business Manager Janel Wagner.

The meeting began with all present reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. No visitors were present.

Action 17-67 Motion by Ellwein, second by Nickelson to approve the agenda with amendments: move 8b Future Planning to 8 c ; and add Driver's Education as 8 b . All aye, carried.

Action 17-68 Motion by Sumption, second by Ellwein to approve consent agenda which included the following items: minutes of meeting held January 8, 2018; financial statements and payment of bills. All aye, carried.

Claims approved: January Payroll - General Fund salaries 68,415.90; Special Education salaries 8,749.33; Food Service salaries 2,005.92; EFTPS, federal income tax/Social Security/ Medicare 23,085.48; AFLAC, supplemental insurance 450.76; American Funds, retirement 1,185.50; Delta Dental, insurance 1582.68; Reliastar Life, insurance 162.16; SD Retirement 12,016.28; SD Retirement Supplemental, 460.50; Security Benefits, retirement 412.50; VSP, vision insurance 247.64, Wellmark, health insurance $16,861.00$.

GENERAL FUND: ABERDEEN PLUMBING \& HEATING, REPAIRS 366.85; AGTEGRA, DIESEL/GAS/HEATING FUEL 4,392.49; AMAZON, SUPPLIES 497.83; CLIMATE CONTROL,

| FEBRUARY 2018 | GENERAL FUND | CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND | SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND | PENSION FUND | FOOD SERVICE FUND | DRIVERS ED FUND | UNEMP FUND | TRUST \& AGENCY FUND |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Beginning checking balance | \$153,566.43 | \$1,210,074.42 | \$605,884.52 | \$42,516.42 | (\$12,560.88) | \$275.09 | \$19,090.52 | \$69,217.93 |
| Revenue: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Taxes | \$3,100.47 | \$1,258.56 | \$689.14 | \$25.10 |  |  |  |  |
| Local Sources | \$272.63 | \$10.00 |  |  | \$4,928.55 |  |  | \$7,771.18 |
| Interest | \$92.95 |  |  |  |  |  |  | \$3.31 |
| Federal \& State | \$125,884.74 | \$3,789.84 | \$572.41 |  | \$66.80 |  |  |  |
| Total Revenue | \$129,350.79 | \$5,058.40 | \$1,261.55 | \$25.10 | \$4,995.35 |  |  | \$7,774.49 |
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| Disbursements |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bills | \$20,203.74 | \$1,687.40 | \$2,891.00 |  | \$2,916.11 |  |  | \$4,770.34 |
| Payroll | \$118,938.02 |  | \$13,785.30 |  | \$2,912.33 |  |  |  |
| Total Disbursements | \$139,141.76 | \$1,687.40 | \$16,676.30 |  | \$5,828.44 |  |  | \$4,770.34 |
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| Transfers |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Transfer-General to Food Svc | ( $59,000.00$ ) |  |  |  | \$9,000.00 |  |  |  |
| Transfer-Cap Outlay to General | \$250,000.00 | (\$250,000.00) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Transfer to Investments |  | (\$600,000.00) | (\$200,000.00) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Transfers | \$241,000.00 | ( $\$ 850,000.00)$ | (\$200,000.00) |  | \$9,000.00 |  |  |  |
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| Total checking balance | \$384,775.46 | \$363,445.42 | \$390,469.77 | \$42,541.52 | (\$4,393.97) | \$275.09 | \$19,090.52 | \$72,222.08 |
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| Beginning investment balance | \$344,579.52 | \$540,429.40 | \$256,175.05 | \$45,189.23 |  |  |  |  |
| Interest | \$98.36 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Transfer from } \\ & \text { checking } \end{aligned}$ |  | \$600,000.00 | \$200,000.00 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total investment balance | \$344,677.88 | \$1,140,429.40 | \$456,175.05 | \$45,189.23 |  |  |  |  |
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| Ending Fund Balance | \$729,453.34 | \$1,503,874.82 | \$846,644.82 | \$87,730.75 | (\$4,393.97) | \$275.09 | \$19,090.52 | \$72,222.08 | DOCUMENTS, PAYROLL DOCUMENTS 99.00; CWD, FRESH FRUITS/VEG 382.28; DON'S BUILDERS HARDWARE, REPAIRS 288.00; ELLENDALE TRUE VALUE, SUPPLIES 12.99; FARNAM'S GENUINE PARTS, REPAIRS 39.97; FOREMAN SALES AND SERVICE, REPAIRS 7,136.30; GROTON INDEPENDENT, PUBLISHING 94.25; HOBBY LOBBY, SUPPLIES 39.90; HOFFMAN, ANDREW, REFEREE 175.00; JAMES VALLEY TELECOMMUNICATIONS, TELEPHONE 466.38; KENS SUPERFAIR FOODS, SUPPLIES 22.65; KESSLER'S, SUPPLIES 148.45 ; LAPKA, FRED, REFEREE 90.00 ; LAPKA, PATRICK, REFEREE 120.00; MAC'S, SUPPLIES 14.25; MARC, SUPPLIES 592.34; MENARDS, REPAIRS 185.30; MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES, ELECTRIC 5,262.61; MYER, BEVERLY, BOOK 15.00; NORTH CENTRAL SPECIAL ED COOP, FEES 5,000.00; O'REILLY AUTO PARTS, REPAIRS 44.55; OFFICEMAX, SUPPLIES 14.99; PANTORIUM CLEANER, SUPPLIES 303.05; PODOLL, LANCE, MILEAGE 309.12; POSTMASTER, POSTAGE 22.47; RINGGENBERG, JESSICA, SUPPLIES 20.00; SCHOLASTIC READING CLUB, WORKBOOKS 28.00; SCHOOL SPECIALTY, SUPPLIES 42.36; TOWN OF FREDERICK, UTILITIES 173.72; TSCHOSIK, PAULA, SUPPLIES 20.00; WOODMAN REFRIGERATION, REPAIRS 2,012.95.

CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND: A \& B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, CONTRACT 589.66; MENARDS, SHELVING UNIT 89.99; SCHOOLS IN, RUG 224.31; TREBON COMPANY, FILTERING SOFTWARE 2,347.03; WOODMAN REFRIGERATION, FREEZER 1,500.00.

SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND: AVERA ST LUKES, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY $1,456.00$; NORTH CENTRAL SPECIALED COOP, FEES 8,587.35; POSTMASTER, POSTAGE 20.24.

FOOD SERVICE FUND: CWD, FOOD 4,111.04; MENARDS, SUPPLIES 33.98; MYONCORE, SUBSCRIPTION 700.00.

## Enter Alex Hart at 6:04pm.

The following report was presented:

REPAIRS 4,642.87; COLE PAPERS, SUPPLIES 751.44; CORE

Approval of the Accounts Payable，after discussion，was passed with a motion by SC／GS．Motion Carried．ACCOUNTS PAYABLE：A\＆B Solutions，Inc．sup Wtr／Garb／Swr \＄123．32；D．Bruns Jan wage CC \＄69．71；D． Bruns Jan wage，mtg，mileage，OT FO \＄1377．15；FDC Econ Dev Econ Dev \＄1200；FU Oil Co parts Gen＇l \＄93．20；G． Schlosser Jan wage Gen＇l \＄23．09；GDI legal＇s Gen＇l \＄74．40； JVT phones，services，Internets Gen＇l／FO／EBL／Water \＄300．76；M．Cox Jan wage EBL \＄583．66；MDU elect Sts／ FO／CC／EBL／B．Park／S．Park／FireHall／Wtr／Swr \＄1741．33； R．Bakeberg Jan wage St／Wtr／Swr \＄232．42；R．Bakeberg Veh allow St／Wtr／Swr \＄75；R．Scott Campbell Jan wage Gen’l \＄46．17；SD Dept of Rev Sales Tax Garb \＄109．34；SDAT\＆T Annual Dues Gen＇l \＄239．75；T．Millard Jan wage Gen＇l \＄23．09；USDA－RD payment Wtr Rpr Loan AP \＄475；USPS stamps Wtr／Garb／Swr \＄149；WEB Water 823，300 gallons Wtr $\$ 3145.89$ ．Total Accounts Payable $\$ 10,082.28$ ．Utility Manager Rich Bakeberg reported he is checking the pump under the Water Tower daily；he spread salt on the streets in front of the Emma Burnham Library and also up the street in front of the Auditorium．Librarian Cox also tries to keep salt spread around by the EBL．Emma Burnham Library－Board Member and incoming Vice－President Judy Schultz was approved with a motion by GS／TM．Motion Carried．Board member Jeannie Schmidt resigned．The SD Public Library Survey FY2017 Cert Form was signed by Chairman／Mayor R．S．Campbell．The report was filled in by President Thersia Cox and Librarian Mavis Cox．Frederick Forward －no representation Historical Society－no representation Frederick Development Corporation－no commentary

OTHER OLD BUSINESS：Retired Auditor Roger Schnabel＇s Internal Control，Review and Recommendations was presented．The Frederick Board will request an in－person or conference call meeting with Mr．Schnabel．The contract agreement for debris hauling was rejected．An Assistant FO ad was presented but after review will be rewritten．An ad will appear in the GDI next week and also notices will be up in Frederick Businesses．Applications will be available at the Finance Office．Budgeted medical insurance was noted． Water gallon difference was noted．NEW BUSINESS：Craig Mickelson of Mickelson Realtors，Inc．，presented a Resolution prepared by Fran Brink，land surveyor from Brink Survey of Aberdeen，on Anderson－Brotzel Subdivision in W1／2NE1／4 of Sec 11－T127N－R64 W．The Resolution to plat，which needed signing by the Finance Officer and approved by the Frederick Board，separated the land into two lots．This was the first of many steps．An oral acceptance was taken； Chairman Campbell Aye，Board Member Troy Millard Aye； Board Member Gary Schlosser abstained．Motion Carried． Richard Osborn questioned when the street in front of his house would be repaired．The street has a sink hole due to a water line break from the past．Chairman Campbell will talk to Fran Brink about engineering the problem and bidding out the job．Osborn also asked about dogs running at large and questioned what to do when they come through the screen door？Board recommends holding the dog long enough to get the Brown County Sheriff＇s Department there to pick it up． Dogs in Frederick are required to be on a leash or tied up in their yard．They also must have their Frederick dog tags and proof of current rabbi shots．Osborn requested a copy of the
town＇s dog ordinance．He also asked for his garbage can to be
removed on the 25 th of February．Board Member Millard made a motion to retain the Groton Daily Independent Newspaper as official newspaper，1st National Bank of Frederick as official bank，and Dana Frohling，Attorney，as official counsel for Frederick．Board Member Schlosser 2nd the motion．Chairman Campbell abstained．Motion Carried． CORRESPONDENCE：

Elan City sent information on Radar Speed signs．BM Schlosser was given authorization to find a used radar speed sign on the Internet up to $\$ 750$ ．It will be used at several different locations in Frederick hoping to make drivers aware of their speed．Motion made by TM／SC．Motion Carried． The National Weather Service is hosting an Integrated Weather Team Meeting on March 21，2018，at the K．O．LEE Library in Aberdeen．The one day event will focus on siren policy and high impact messaging during a disaster．Several showed interest，pre－registration is required．

ADJOURNMENT：There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 8：30 PM with a motion by GS／SC．Motion Carried．The next regular scheduled meeting will be held on Monday evening，March 5，2018， at the Frederick Community Center， 7 PM．Finance Office number is 605－329－2242．SDCL 1－25－1．Diane Bruns， Frederick Finance Officer

## THREE RIVER RANCHERS 4－H CLUB

must be enrolled in these project areas before they can participate．Discussed the scholarships available to senior members．We received a check from Herberger＇s store for $\$ 409.90$ ，this was our portion for selling the books at the store．

New business：We discussed the Newshound． Random Acts Of Kindness day is Saturday，February 17th．We decided to make snowman soup（hot cocoa mixes）for our valentine gift to the shut－ins，we will ｜｜do the blanket buddies project to donate to the local hospitals，and we discussed donating money to the American Legion Auxiliary for them to use for local veterans．Michaela Podoll made a motion to donate $\$ 300$ to the American Legion Auxiliary and Sophia Feickert second the motion．Motion carried．

The fruit sale will start February 1st and will be the month of February．The Livestock Project Enrollment I dates were discussed．We discussed applying for the Aberdeen Chamber of Commerce Ag Committee＇s 4H Award．We will discuss this application more at the February meeting．

The next meeting will be held Sunday February 18， ｜｜ 21018 at 4 pm at the Westport Church Hall．There were ｜no demonstrations or illustrated talks．Brooklyn Podoll made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Garrett Crawford second the motion．The meeting was hosted \｜by the 4 H leaders．Laura，Milo and Howard Sumption \｜will host the next meeting．

Submitted by Samuel Vetter，club reporter

The Three River
Ranchers 4－H Club met on January 28， 2018 at the Westport Church Hall with 12 members present． Leader Kristi Forsting called the meeting to order．

The American pledge was led by Michaela Podoll and Milo Sumption led the $4-\mathrm{H}$ pledge．Laura Sumption made a motion to approve the secretary＇s report and Michaela Podoll second the motion．Kristi Forsting read the Treasurer＇s report．We currently have $\$ 3,101.14$ in the bank and $\$ 12.12$ on hand．

Old business：We were reminded to re－enroll online as soon as possible and new membership enrollment was due May 30th．

Project enrollment was due also May 30th．BB Gun and Archery practice \｜times and place were read． Reminder that members

screen printing embroidery signs \＆banners promotional items plaques \＆engraving awards \＆trophies

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# St. Urho's Day Food \& Festivities 

Friday, March 16-6:00 pm

And what is St. Urho's Day? The legend of St. Urho says he chased the grasshoppers out of ancient Finland, thus saving the grape crop and the jobs of Finnish vineyard workers. His feast is celebrated by wearing the colors Royal Purple and Nile Green. Is it true? Who cares? It's an excuse to celebrate!

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