



# MCC SCHOOLS

## January 2018 Newsletter

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### DECEMBER 19 BOARD BRIEF

- Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.
- Robotics Team A Presentation was held.
- Board held Truth and Taxation Hearing.
- Agenda was approved.
- Minutes for 11/21/2017 were approved.
- Payment of the Bills was approved.
- Treasurer's report was read.
  
- Supt. Lund reported on: Transportation Fuel Tank Savings, 2018-2019 Calendar, TIES Conference, HS Library Space, Athletic Handbook, and Dahl-Scott Donation.
- Principal Longerbone reported on Principal Conference, Dec. Music Events, Semester end Jan. 19, Robotics Team, ACT Testing and Preparation, and Team Up Leadership.
- Dean of Students Nelson reported on Spelling Bees, Field Trips to Wonder movie and Creativity Festival, MCA Practice Testing options, Accelerated Reader progress.
- Committee Meetings: Policy Committee and Admin. Committee met.

#### Action Items:

- World's Best Workforce hearing was held.
- Board passed resolution acknowledging Robotics Team A's first place at Northland Vex Competition.
- Board approved unpaid personal leave request for Pat Larson.
- Board approved 2017 pay 2018 Tax Levy.
- Board set org. meeting date for 1/16/18
- Board updated Wire Fund Transfer Policy.
- Board conducted first reading of Student School Board Representatives plan.
- Board approved Freeze Hoops Agreement.
- Board approved support of extended field trip for Robotics Team A to U.S. National Tournament in Council Bluffs Iowa.
- Board members cast ballots for Region 1 Board and MREA Board.
- Board accepted donation of \$20,000 from the Dahl-Scott Foundation in support of the Outdoor Classroom Building with sincere thanks and appreciation.
- Board discussed volleyball program.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

### January - 2018 is a chance to Refresh/Renew

Schools are very lucky in the sense that we have a nice break around the holidays that gives us a chance to refresh before the new year starts. I often use that time as a time to look back. It is also a good time to focus ahead to make adjustments to ensure we have a strong second half of the school year.

Looking back at our news, politics, and the world in 2017, it does raise some cause for concern. Our nation is deeply politically divided. No matter your personal point of view it makes all of us wonder if that gridlock will break and our leaders will come together to do what is right for all of us. I am proud to say locally, through public support and leadership from our school board, we are always working towards improving our school by working together to solve problems and backing ideas that will help our children succeed. I remain optimistic because I see energy and optimism in our youth. They are ambitious and hard working. They have insightful ideas. They do have a goal and a drive in them when they work on areas that interest them and are given a full sense of purpose.

I look forward to the 2018 half of the school year. Our Robotics team achieved a second victory with two of our teams winning the East Grand Forks tournament advancing a second team to the state tournament. It will be exciting to watch their journey this year. The new outdoor classroom is now built and will be used for learning. Teachers have shared with me many ideas they plan to use it for and I'm excited for our teachers and students for this opportunity. Our Close Up students will travel to Washington D.C. They will get first hand access to our federal government leaders and learn more about the process. We will begin the process of inviting two student representatives on the school board to provide our members with direct student insight on important decisions. This spring, we will also rekindle the strategic planning process which invites community members to reflect and look forward with us so that we can create a new five year plan on making things better for our students.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Lund  
Superintendent/Elementary Principal

**Have a great 2018!**

#### WINTER CLOTHING

Parents, please send your children to school with hats, boots, gloves, and a warm winter coat. Snowpants are required for Viking Elementary students and advised for Newfolden Elementary students. Elementary students go outside each day for 20 to 25 minutes. We want high school parents to also make sure their children have these items. It is important that their hands, feet, head, and body are kept warm. If we have a bus breakdown or if teachers need to do a lesson outside, we want all children prepared for the weather.

**Correction:**

**Elementary Science Fair Winners**

We inadvertently listed last year's winners in the December Newsletter. This is the list of each grade champion and overall grand champion from this year's science fair:

Grade 4: Gavin Nelson

Grade 5: Ella Hanson

Grade 6: Luke Fillmore

Overall: Kaydence Augustine

**Minecraft Camp (Grades 3-6):**

MCC Community Education instructors Jeffrey and Trista Lund will host a Minecraft mini-camp for students in Grades 3-6 in the high school computer lab. Grade 3-4 Camp will be held on Jan. 30 from 3:15 to 5:00 p.m. Grades 5-6 Camp will be held on Feb. 1 from 3:15 to 5:00 p.m. Cost is \$15 dollars. Registration is due by January 19 and is limited to first 20 in each session. Participants will participate in build challenges, team build, and a fun session. Snack will be provided.

**Walking in the elementary gyms**

Both elementary gyms and the high school loop will be open to the public in the mornings to adults who would like to walk for exercise from 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. each weekday school is in session through the end of February. Please note there will be no walking on Jan. 1, Jan. 15, or Jan. 22 because no school is scheduled those days.

**DANCE CLASS for ADULTS**

January 9, 11, 15, 18

Location: Newfolden Elementary Gym

Time: 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Instructor: Pat Moen

Fee: \$10 a person or \$15 for couples

Instructor Pat Moen is offering dance class for adult couples or individuals for beginning dance, to those who want to learn more, or those interested in just dancing. Course is designed for beginners but anyone interested in dancing is welcome. Fee covers participation for all three sessions. If there is enough interest from the group, a bonus session will be provided at no charge on January 18. Session is limited to 20 participants. Please call district office (218) 874-8530 to sign up.

**Spelling Bees**

The district grade 3 and 4 spelling bee will be held Tuesday, January 9 at 9:00 a.m. in the high school gym. Grades 5-8 will have their competition on Tuesday, January 18 at 9:00 a.m. in the high school gym. The top speller in grades 5-8 will advance and represent MCC at the regional competition in February.

**Open Gym Times**

Sundays at High School gym. Elementary time from 1-3 pm. High School time from 3-5 pm. Adult open gym is from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

**Adult Volleyball**

Sunday nights Newfolden Elementary gym from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

**Adult Fitness**

Adult fitness group will meet on the following January dates: (1/2, 1/4, 1/8, 1/10, 1/15, 1/17, 1/22, 1/24, 1/31) from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Group will meet in gym most dates. If there is a home basketball game group will meet in weight room. Fee is one time \$10 charge.

**Go Freeze!!**

**EVENT CALENDAR**

- 1/1 New Years Day
- 1/2 School Resumes
- 1/4 5th Grade Creativity Festival
- 1/9 Grade 3/4 Spelling Bee
- 1/10 Knowledge Bowl Meet @ TRF
- 1/11 ECFE 4:30 & 6:00 p.m.
- 1/15 No School Teacher In-Service
- 1/16 School Board Meeting 7:30 a.m.
- 1/17 Knowledge Bowl Meet @ TRF
- 1/18 District Spelling Bee 9:00 a.m.
- 1/18 Sports Boosters 8:00 p.m.
- 1/20 Robotics Meet @ RLF
- 1/24 Knowledge Bowl Meet @ TRF
- 1/25 ECFE 4:30 & 6:00 p.m.
- 1/19 End of Quarter 2
- 1/22 No School Teacher In-Service
- 1/31 Knowledge Bowl Meet @ TRF
- 2/2 & 2/3 State Robotics Tournament



**SPORTS CALENDAR**

**Boys Basketball:**

- 1/2 JH vs. BGMR @ Middle River
- 1/4 JH @ TRF
- 1/5 @ LOW
- 1/6 C team @ MCC
- 1/6 JH Roseau Tournament
- 1/8 @ Grygla/Goodridge
- 1/12 @ KCC
- 1/16 vs. Stephen-Argyle @ MCC
- 1/18 vs. Sacred Heart @ TC
- 1/20 TRF JH Tournament
- 1/23 vs. WAO @ MCC
- 1/26 @ Roseau
- 1/30 vs. RLCC @ TC
- 2/2 vs. BGMR @ TC
- 2/3 C-Team @ Fosston

**Girls Basketball:**

- 1/4 vs. Stephen-Argyle @ TC
- 1/5 @ LOW
- 1/6 JH Sacred Heart Tournament
- 1/9 @ Grygla-Goodridge
- 1/11 @ RLF
- 1/15 vs. KCC @ TC
- 1/19 vs. BGMR @ TC
- 1/22 @ Warroad
- 1/25 vs. Fertile/Beltrami @ MCC
- 1/26 @ Roseau
- 1/27 C-Team @ Heritage
- 1/29 @ Sacred Heart

Download Freeze Sports Schedules:  
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**Freeze Hoops Tournament Schedule**

- 1/13 Stephen-Argyle (3-4)
- 1/20 3-6 Boys Tournament Roseau
- 1/20 3-6 Girls Tournament TC
- 1/27 3-6 Boys Tournament MCC
- 1/27 3-6 Girls Tournament Roseau
- 2/3 5-6 Boys @ Ada
- 2/3 4-6 Girls @ Warroad

**Freeze Hoops Half Time Schedule**

- 1/16 Second Grade
- 1/23 Kindergarten
- 1/25 First Grade

### Robotics Team News



Robotics co-advisors Katie Melgaard and Barry Busacker are proud to report that MCC Robotics Team 5450A repeated their winning ways at the East Grand Forks VEX Robotics Competition on December 20. They worked together with MCC Team 5450C and a team from Win-E-Mac to win the tournament. Team members from 5450A include: Tony Skjerven, Trent Youngstrand, Storm Edin, Sarantsetsen Davaakhuu (Sean), and Carter Horien. Team members from 5450C include: Wyatt Bring, Kaden Maurstad, Autumn Swenson, and Isaiah Hoglin (not pictured). Way to go!!

Both teams have now advanced to the state competition in February. Team 5040A is invited to the U.S. National Invitation in Council Bluffs, Iowa. You can follow the teams progress by liking their page on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Freezerobotics>.

The team has one more remaining meet scheduled prior to state. They will be competing on January 20 in Red Lake Falls.



### School Bus Information/Reminders

#### Bus Stop

Please remember to have your child(ren) out at the bus stop 5 minutes prior to your scheduled bus time. We understand that families sometimes want to remain in the house when it is cold until the bus arrive but having to wait can force us to be late for other stops. This compounds during the route and we can get several minutes behind. Please be at the stop 5 minutes before scheduled time.

#### Winter Clothing

Please ensure your child is dressed for the winter. We have had several high school age students coming to school ill prepared. Students of all ages should have a hat, gloves, winter coat, and boots at a minimum. We want students dressed warm on the bus in case of emergency. We have had a couple buses stuck this year.

#### Dropping off at school sites in Newfolden

At Newfolden Elementary, please drive around the building and approach the west doors driving towards the north. This will allow you to drop off at the curb. At the high school, please drop off by using the high school loop. If buses are in line, please follow them and wait your turn. Do not pass the school buses when they are dropping off children. These are the safest locations for dropping off your children.

### EARLY CHILDHOOD

Marshall County Central schools offers early childhood educational opportunities for families with infant children to age 4.

Our classes are held on Thursdays twice a month most months throughout the school year. There are two session times. The first session is held from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. and the second session is held from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Instructor Jennifer Durkee and paraprofessional Melissa Hestekind provide programming which includes free play time, activity time, story time, and snack. Information is also provided to parents to support their child's education.

If you did not attend the October preschool screening, we will hold a second session on March 26, 2018 for students who turn 4 by 9/1/2018.

For questions about ECFE please contact Viking Elementary School (218) 523-4425 or e-mail Mrs. Durkee at [jdurkee@mccfreeze.org](mailto:jdurkee@mccfreeze.org).

#### ECFE CALENDAR

- January 11 - Who's Who in the Zoo
- January 25 - Tropical Getaway
- February 8 - Forest Friends
- February 22 - Sneaker Smash
- March 1 - Grandparents/Teddy Bear Night
- March 15 - Dinosaur Explore
- April 5 - Tool Time
- April 19 - Touch a Truck (Newfolden)
- May 3 - Farm Friends & Potluck

Dates subject to change. Changes will be posted on web site calendar and future newsletters.



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Viking Elementary: (218) 523-4425

HS/NE Kitchen (Karin): (218) 874-8805 x 231

Viking Kitchen (Robin): (218) 523-4425

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Transportation (Adam): (218) 874-7291

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Superintendent Jeffrey Lund: (218) 874-8530 x 305

Principal Brian Longerbone (HS): (218) 874-7225 x 304

Elem. Dean of Students Matt Nelson: (218) 874-8805 x 202

Freeze Kids Care:

- During day: (218) 523-4425 (Michele)
- 3:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. (218) 874-8805 x 222

After School Program:

- 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (218) 874-8805 x 211

Preschool/HS: (218) 523-4425

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