

Freeman Public Schools  
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Permit Number 5

## POSTAL CUSTOMER

### IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

## \*\*\*FREE AND REDUCED APPLICATIONS INCLUDED\*\*\*

### FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

The first day of classes for Elementary and Secondary students will be Wednesday, August 15th. There will be an early dismissal of 1:00 pm. Breakfast will be served on August 15<sup>th</sup> before school from 7:50 to 8:10am for K-12 students. Breakfast will not be serve between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> period on August 15<sup>th</sup>. Preschool students will start Monday, August 20th.

### ELEMENTARY OPEN HOUSE

Freeman Elementary will hold an Open House on Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. Please come to the school, bring your student(s) and visit the classrooms. You are welcome to bring your child's school supplies that evening. The supply list is available on the Freeman website ([www.freemanpublicschools.org](http://www.freemanpublicschools.org)) Click on Parent Portal. On the left hand side, click on Elementary Supply List under Helpful Links. If you do not have access to the website, please call the office to have one mailed to you. Falcon wear will be available for purchase at the open house.

### SECONDARY OPEN HOUSE

Freeman Secondary will hold an Open House on Thursday, August 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. Falcon wear will be available for purchase at the open house

6:00PM - Introduction - North Gym

6:10PM - Chromebook Update - North Gym

6:20PM - Sports Meetings (Coaches)

7th Grade Orientation - North Gym - PowerSchool, Make-up slips, etc

6:45PM - Senior Parent Meeting - North Gym

7th Grade/New students visit classrooms etc...

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>August 2018</b>			1 Flex Work Day for Staff @ Freeman Public Schools First Day of Fall Conditioning (FB, SB, VB) Gyms Closed - Floors Being Sealed @ Freeman Public Schools	2 Flex Work Day for Staff @ Freeman Public Schools Gyms Closed - Floors Being Sealed @ Freeman Public Schools <b>9:00am</b> Fall Sports Eligibility Meeting	3 Flex Work Day for Staff @ Freeman Public Schools Gyms Closed - Floors Being Sealed @ Freeman Public Schools	4 Gyms Closed - Floors Being Sealed @ Freeman Public Schools
5 Gyms Closed - Floors Being Sealed @ Freeman Public Schools	6 Flex Work Day for Staff @ Freeman Public Schools First Day of Fall Practices (FB, SB, VB) Gyms Closed - Floors Being Sealed @ Freeman Public Schools	7 Flex Work Day for Staff @ Freeman Public Schools	8 Flex Work Day for Staff @ Freeman Public Schools	9 Teacher In-Service @ Freeman Public Schools <b>6:00pm 7-12 Open House</b>	10 Flex Work Day for Staff @ Freeman Public Schools	11
12	13 Teacher In-Service @ Freeman Public Schools <b>6:00pm Elementary Open House @ Freeman Public Schools</b> <b>6:30pm</b> Budget Workshop @ Freeman Media Center <b>6:50pm</b> Levy @ Freeman Media Center <b>7:00pm</b> Board of Education Meeting @ Freeman Media Center	14 Teacher In-Service @ Freeman Public Schools	15 <b>First Day of K-12 @ Freeman Public Schools</b> <b>1:00 Early Out - Staff In-Service</b> <b>7:00pm</b> ECNC Admin/AD Mtg. @ Malcolm High School	16 <b>5:00pm</b> Softball-JV <b>Fairbury</b> <b>6:30pm</b> Softball-Varsity <b>Fairbury</b> <b>6:00pm</b> Volleyball Jamboree @ <b>Beatrice</b>	17	18 Adams Day Band Concert <b>10:00am Softball-Varsity Freeman vs. Multiple Schools</b>
19 <b>6:00pm</b> FBLA Kickoff @ Freeman Public Schools	20 <b>First Day Pre-School @ Freeman Public Schools</b>	21	22	23 <b>5:00pm</b> Softball-JV <b>Freeman vs. Conestoga</b> <b>5:30pm</b> Volleyball-G/JV <b>Mead Jr. / Sr.</b> <b>6:30pm</b> Softball-Varsity <b>Freeman vs. Conestoga</b> <b>6:30pm</b> Volleyball-G/Varsity <b>Mead Jr. / Sr.</b>	24 <b>7:00pm</b> Football-Varsity <b>Yutan</b>	25 <b>9:00am</b> Softball-Varsity <b>Syracuse High School vs. Multiple Schools</b>
26 Start of Fall Practices	27 <b>9:00am</b> ECNC Leadership Summit @ Conestoga High School <b>5:00pm</b> Softball-JV <b>Aquinas Catholic</b> <b>5:30pm</b> Football-JV <b>Ashland-Greenwood</b> <b>6:30pm</b> Softball-Varsity <b>Aquinas Catholic</b>	28 <b>PK-12 Picture Day</b>	29	30 <b>4:30pm</b> Softball-Varsity <b>Freeman vs. Multiple Schools</b> <b>5:00pm</b> Volleyball-G/Varsity <b>Freeman vs. Multiple Schools</b>	31 <b>6:30pm-8:30pm</b> Legion Burger Feed @ FHS - Athletic Stadium <b>7:00pm</b> Football-Varsity <b>Hastings St. Cecilia</b>	

# DANIEL FREEMAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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## FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT, MR. RANDY PAGE

### WELCOME BACK

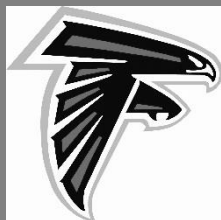
Freeman Public Schools is excited to welcome our students, staff, and patrons back for the 2018-19 school year. The time is approaching for reconnecting, learning, sharing talents and experiences, and building memories together. Freeman is excited to provide opportunities for children and families first. The school board, staff, and administration are thrilled with what Freeman has to offer this year; 1:1 Chromebook, tablet options K-3, Freeman Choices programming, expanded K-6 playground options, and Freeman's always strong educational programming. I am proud to be part of Freeman Public Schools and am proud to serve our children, patrons, and communities. When you have questions or would just like to talk about Freeman, please feel free to contact me or stop by and see me. My door is open and I look forward to the opportunity for us to continue to build Freeman together.

As the new school year approaches here are a few items that may interest you or catch your eye in the building:

- Freeman has several new staff members you can introduce yourself to this fall; Mrs. Samantha Garton, Kindergarten teacher, Mr. Jeremy Schroeder, 7-12 Principal, Jeanine Anderson, Para-Professional, and Duane Lenner as a bus route driver. Please be sure to say hello and let them connect a face with the kids they are seeing in their role working at Freeman. Welcome to the "Freeman Family." I know you will find support and energy throughout our district!
- Freeman is in the midst of an expansion project on our K-6 Playground as the school year begins. The project will add poured rubber surfacing under our existing equipment as well as under a new piece of equipment being added to our playground! The district will also be adding matting and pea gravel to our flat play areas in an effort to create greater accessibility following moisture. You will also notice that a walking track has been added around the entire playground to give kids another option at recess and to support the Elementary Walking Club.
- Freeman Public Schools is focused on safety for all students, staff, and patrons, both on our campus and while traveling to our various activities. School safety, is a group effort. Please be part of our community in sharing your observations for areas where you notice safety could be improved on our campus. In addition to your observations, please communicate with our district and/or law enforcement when you have information that you feel could have an effect on the safety of any person or persons involved with our school community. Freeman Public Schools wishes to thank you for working with our school to create the safest environment possible for all users of our facilities and programming.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve Freeman and our communities, it is my pleasure. My focus is to put children first, to act with regard to what is best for kids in all decisions, to build on the strong family atmosphere within our district, and to maintain and grow the proud tradition that is Freeman Public Schools. Thank you for allowing myself and my family to be part of the "Freeman Family".

Randy M. Page, Freeman Superintendent



### August 2018

#### No School Days

September 3  
September 24  
October 15  
October 26  
November 2  
November 21-23  
December 24-31  
January 1-4  
February 15  
March 8  
March 15  
March 29  
April 1  
April 19  
April 22

#### Early Dismissal

August 15  
December 21  
January 24  
May 20

415 8<sup>th</sup> Street  
PO Box 259  
Adams, NE 68301

Phone:  
402.988-2525

Fax:  
402.988-3475

**BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2018 7:00 PM CENTRAL**

**1. Opening Procedures**

**1.1. Call meeting to order**

**1.2. Roll Call**

Motion to approve excuse absent board member Rademacher passed with a motion by Anthony Meints and a second by Doug Parde.

Mike Klein: Absent, Marcella Rademacher: Absent, Chad Harms: Yea, Anthony Meints: Yea, Doug Parde: Yea, Myron Schoen: Yea. Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

**1.3. Acknowledge meeting notice and announcement**

**1.4. Approve agenda**

Motion to approve agenda as presented passed with a motion by Doug Parde and a second by Myron Schoen.

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

**1.5. Communication from the Public**

Mark Gronewold addressed the board regarding concerns over interactions between coaches and student athletes & student safety.

**1.6. Approval of Consent Agenda**

Motion to approve the consent agenda including minutes of the previous meeting and claims in the amount of \$448,964.85 passed with a motion by Myron Schoen and a second by Chad Harms. Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1  
Congratulations were extended to athletes that placed at State Track.

**Items Removed from the Consent Agenda**

**2. Discussion Items**

1. Policy Updates
2. Riding Scrubber
3. Handbooks
4. Extra Duty Assignments
5. Outdoor Projects
6. School/Community Media Center Inter-Local Agreement
7. Drug Testing
8. Insurance for Bus Drivers
9. COOP opportunities in athletics
10. Tech Purchase
11. Volunteer Hours Conversation
12. Wednesday Night Board Meetings

**3. Matters Requiring Board Action**

**3.1. Consideration and possible action to enter into an Inter-Local Agreement with the Village of Adams to maintain a school/community Media Center.**

Motion to enter into an Inter-Local Agreement with the Village of Adams to maintain a school/community Media Center passed with a motion by Chad Harms and a second by Mike Klein. Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

**3.2. Consideration and possible action to set Breakfast and Lunch Prices for the 2018-2019 school year.**

Motion to set Breakfast and Lunch Prices for the 2018-2019 school year as follows: Breakfast \$1.75, K-6 lunch \$2.75, 7-12 lunch \$3.05, Adult lunch \$3.60 and extra milk \$.35 passed with a motion by Myron Schoen and a second by Doug Parde. Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

**3.3. Consideration and possible action to set Substitute rates for 2018-2019 school year. Motion to set Substitute rates for 2018-2019 school year at \$135.00 per day (long term sub will be \$192.16 after the first ten consecutive days) passed with a motion by Chad Harms and a second by Mike Klein. Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1**

**3.4. Consideration and possible action to set Student Fees for the 2018-2019 school year.**

Motion to set Student Fees for the 2018-2019 school year at \$35 for Junior High and \$70 for High School passed with a motion by Doug Parde and a second by Myron Schoen. Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

3.5. Consideration and possible action to set pass prices for students, adults, and families for the 2018-2019 school year.

Motion to set pass prices for students, adults, and families for the 2018-2019 school year as follows: Family \$125, Adults \$55, and Youth/Adults over 65 \$35 passed with a motion by Myron Schoen and a second by Chad Harms.

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

3.6. Consideration and possible action to set Facility Usage Fees for the 2018-2019 school year.

Motion to set Facility Usage Fees for the 2018-2019 school year passed with a motion by Mike Klein and a second by Myron Schoen. Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

3.7. Consideration and possible action to contract with Diversified Drug Testing, LLC, as Freeman's Drug Program Administrator, for random drug testing.

Motion to contract with Diversified Drug Testing, LLC, as Freeman's Drug Program Administrator, for random drug testing with a one-year contract passed with a motion by Myron Schoen and a second by Doug Parde.

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

3.8. Consideration and possible action to pay NRCSA dues for 2018-2019.

Motion to pay NRCSA dues for 2018-2019 passed with a motion by Doug Parde and a second by Myron Schoen.

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

3.9. Consideration and possible action to purchase a new riding scrubber.

Motion to purchase a new riding scrubber from Egan Supply for \$11475.50 passed with a motion by Mike Klein and a second by Doug Parde.

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

3.10. Consideration and possible action to adopt policies provided by Legal Counsel for updates.

Motion to adopt policies provided by Legal Counsel for updates passed with a motion by Chad Harms and a second by Mike Klein. Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

#### 4. Reports

##### 4.1. Administrative Reports

Mr. Page reported on Superintendent goals, budget, cleaning schedule, curriculum rotation, and drug testing. Thank you and best of luck wishes were extended to Mr. Sokol.

##### 4.2. Technology

Mr. Delhay reported on equipment orders, classroom projector mounting and new website.

##### 4.3. Assessments

##### 4.4. School Improvement

##### 4.5. Facilities

##### 4.6. Transportation

##### 4.7. Negotiations

4.8. Extra-Curricular-Anthony Meints reported on progress of Extra Curricular committee.

##### 4.9. Board of Education

#### 5. Announcements

5.1. Next regular meeting: Monday, July 16, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

6. Adjournment-Motion to adjourn at 9:20 p.m. passed with a motion by Mike Klein and a second by Myron Schoen. Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

## **MONDAY, JULY 16, 2018 7:00 PM CENTRAL**

#### 1. Opening Procedures

1.1. Call meeting to order

1.2. Roll Call

1.3. Acknowledge meeting notice and announcement

1.4. Approve agenda

Motion to approve agenda as presented passed with a motion by Doug Parde and a second by Chad Harms. Yea: 6, Nay: 0

### 1.5. Communication from the Public

Tim Sieh addressed the board regarding Policy 2009 Public Participation at Board Meetings. Jay Nieveen gave a report on the Freeman TeamMates program.

### 1.6. Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the consent agenda including minutes of the previous meeting and claims in the amount of \$428,879.35 (removing checks #49922 \$337.20, #49943 \$337.20, \$49951 \$337.20 and #49915 \$100,000.00) passed with a motion by Anthony Meints and a second by Marcella Rademacher.

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Welcome was extended to Jeremy Schroeder, Secondary Principal.

### 1.7. Consideration and possible action to transfer \$100,000 from the General Fund to the Depreciation Fund.

Motion to transfer \$100,000 from the General Fund to the Depreciation Fund passed with a motion by Mike Klein and a second by Myron Schoen. Yea: 6, Nay: 0

### 1.8. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

Motion to approve check #49915 for \$100,000 passed with a motion by Marcella Rademacher and a second by Doug Parde.

Chad Harms: Yea, Mike Klein: Yea, Anthony Meints: Yea, Doug Parde: Yea, Marcella Rademacher: Yea, Myron Schoen: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

## 2. Discussion Items

Summer Project Updates--playground, S200 and N107 carpeted, Handbooks, Budget, and Depreciation Fund transfer

## 3. Matters Requiring Board Action

3.1. Consideration and possible action to approve Certified and Classified Staff Handbooks. Motion to approve Certified and Classified Staff handbooks as presented passed with a motion by Mike Klein and a second by Myron Schoen. Yea: 6, Nay: 0

3.2. Consideration and possible action to approve both the PreK-6 and 7th-12th Grade Handbooks.

3.3. Consideration and possible action to approve Student Activity Handbook.

## 4. Reports

### 4.1. Administrative Reports

Mr. Page reported on extracurricular survey, Administrative Retreat Report (Role Definition), School Law Report, Staff Breakfast for return to school (Aug 13 @ 8:00am)

Mrs. Sieh reported that the Elementary Open House is Monday, August 13th from 6:00pm- 7:00pm and that she is presenting at Administrator Days in Kearney.

### 4.2. Technology

Mr. Delhay gave an update on the new website and the new phone system.

### 4.3. Assessments

### 4.4. School Improvement

Mrs. Nieveen reported that there will be a meeting on August 6 @ 6:00 p.m.

### 4.5. Facilities

### 4.6. Transportation

### 4.7. Negotiations

### 4.8. Extra-Curricular

### 4.9. Board of Education NASB area meetings /Board Evaluation tool

## 5. Announcements

5.1. Next hearing and meeting: Monday, August 13, 2018 Budget Hearing (6:30 pm) Levy Hearing (6:50 pm) Board Meeting (7:00 pm)

## 6. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:58 p.m. passed with a motion by Doug Parde and a second by Chad Harms.

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

**Return Completed Application to:** Freeman Public Schools, 415 8<sup>th</sup> St, PO Box 259, Adams, NE 68301

**Part 1: Children in School**

List names of <b>all</b> children, including foster children, in school. If all children listed are foster, skip to Part 4 to sign the form. (First, Middle Initial, Last Name)	Check box below if a foster child	Name of School Child Attends	Grade
	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	<input type="checkbox"/>		

**Part 2: Assistance Programs – SNAP, TANF or FDPIR Benefits**

Enter **MASTER CASE NUMBER** if household qualifies for SNAP, TANF or FDPIR:   
 (Social Security numbers, Medicaid numbers and EBT numbers are not accepted.) Skip to Part 4

**Part 3: Total Household Gross Income – You must tell us how much and how often.**

<b>1. Household Members</b> List <b>everyone</b> in the household, current income each person earns in <b>whole dollars</b> (no cents) & how often. Entering "0" or leaving the income field blank certifies no income to report. A foster child's <b>personal</b> use income must be listed.	<b>2. Gross Income (before taxes) and How Often it was Received</b>					
	Earnings from Work before deductions		Public Assistance, Child Support, Alimony		Pensions, Retirement and All Other Income	
	Income	How often	Income	How often	Income	How often

Total Number of Household Members: \_\_\_\_\_ (Children and Adults)      Last four digits of Social Security Number (SSN) of the adult signing this form: XXX – XXX – \_\_\_\_\_      Check if no SSN

**Part 4: Adult Signature and Contact Information – An adult household member must sign the application.**

*"I certify (promise) that all information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that this information is given in connection with the receipt of Federal funds and that school officials may verify (check) the information. I am aware that if I purposely give false information, my children may lose meal benefits and I may be prosecuted under applicable State and Federal laws."*

**Sign here:** \_\_\_\_\_      **Print name:** \_\_\_\_\_      **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Street Address** (if available): \_\_\_\_\_      **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_      **Daytime Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Part 5: Children's Ethnic and Racial Identities – Optional**

**Check one Ethnic Identity:**      **– and –**      **Check one or more Racial Identities:**

Hispanic or Latino       Asian       Black or African American       Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander  
 Not Hispanic or Latino       White       American Indian or Alaskan Native

**Do Not Fill Out the Section Below - For School Use Only**

Annual Income Conversion:      Weekly X 52;      Every 2 weeks X 26;      Twice a month X 24;      Monthly X 12

Total Household Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Income: \_\_\_\_\_ per

Year     Month     2 X Mo     Every 2 Wks.     Week

<input type="checkbox"/> Free <input type="checkbox"/> Income <input type="checkbox"/> Categorically eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> SNAP/TANF/FDPIR <input type="checkbox"/> Foster Child	<input type="checkbox"/> Reduced <input type="checkbox"/> Denied Reason for denial: <input type="checkbox"/> Income too high <input type="checkbox"/> Incomplete application
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Signature of Determining Official: \_\_\_\_\_      Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>FOR THE VERIFICATION PROCESS ONLY:</b>		Date Withdrawn From School:
Signature of Confirming Official: _____	Date Confirmed: _____	
Signature of Verifying Official: _____	Date Verified: _____	

**Your children may qualify for free or reduced price meals if your household income falls at or below the limits on this chart.**

<b>FEDERAL INCOME CHART</b> for School Year 2018-19					
Household size	Yearly	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	22,459	1,872	936	864	432
2	30,451	2,538	1,269	1,172	586
3	38,443	3,204	1,602	1,479	740
4	46,435	3,870	1,935	1,786	893
5	54,427	4,536	2,268	2,094	1,047
6	62,419	5,202	2,601	2,401	1,201
7	70,411	5,868	2,934	2,709	1,355
8	78,403	6,534	3,267	3,016	1,508
Each additional person:	7,992	666	333	308	154

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The **Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act** requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced price meals. You must include the last four digits of the social security number of the adult household member who signs the application. The last four digits of the social security number are not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced price meals and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs. We MAY share your eligibility information with education, health and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

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In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

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To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD-3027) found online at: [http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint\\_filing\\_cust.html](http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html), and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

- (1) Mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture  
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights  
1400 Independence Avenue, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410
- (2) Fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) Email: [program.intake@usda.gov](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov)

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.



### BREAKFAST

Freeman offers breakfast to students who wish to eat at school in the morning. For K-6 students, breakfast will be served from 7:50 to 8:05 am. For secondary students, breakfast will be served from 7:50 to 8:05 am and also between first and second period from 8:57 to 9:09. The cost of student breakfast is \$1.75 for full pay students or \$0.30 for students that qualify for reduced lunch prices.

### LUNCH PROGRAM INFORMATION

Lunch prices for 2018-2019 are as follows:

Elementary student lunches are \$2.75

Secondary student lunches are \$3.05

Adult lunches are \$3.60.

One milk is included with the hot lunch.

Milk purchased separately, including milk for afternoon break for grades K-2, will be 35 cents each.

Parents and visitors wishing to eat hot lunch should notify the office by 8:30 am and prepay at the office prior to lunch.

It is District policy that meals are to be paid for in advance. Monthly meal amounts are printed with the menu on the monthly newsletter. Please submit regular payments to the office sufficient to meet your child's needs. Families with multiple students can submit one check. Parents with computer access can check the lunch balance of their child/ren through PowerSchool or call Vici at Ext. 102. Instruction on how to log on or set up a PowerSchool account is available in the office.

### FREE & REDUCED MEALS

All families that wish to apply for the free or reduced meals should send their application in as soon as possible. Benefits will not begin until the day your application is approved. A new application must be received each year, even if you qualified last year. **Free and reduced status does not carry over from year to year. All free and reduced information is kept strictly confidential.**

### SCHOOL PICTURES

Student and staff pictures will be taken by Lifetouch on Tuesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> starting at 8:00 am. All students will have their picture taken for the yearbook and student ID/lunch cards. The picture order forms will be distributed prior to picture day. **Checks should be made out to Lifetouch** – NOT Freeman Schools. Be sure to send your order form and payment to school on picture day or you can order online through Lifetouch.

## Show Your School Spirit AND Give Back to Freeman!



Request a Freeman Falcon debit card from any First State Bank Nebraska location and start earning money for Freeman! These cards are available at no additional charge. Each time you use the Falcon card, First State will make a donation to the school. Show off your school pride and give back at the same time!

If there are 100 Falcon cards by Sept 1st, First State will donate an additional \$500 to Freeman.

Questions? Call 877-303-9737

### PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

The first Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held on Monday and Wednesday, October 22 & 25 from 4:00-8:00 pm each evening. There will be a sign-up sheet in the elementary commons the night of the open house so parents can schedule their preferred parent-teacher conference times.

### SCHOOL MESSENGER NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

Freeman will again be using School Messenger to notify you of important events and un-planned school closings. The system automatically uses the number given for home and cell phones. Remember to notify the office if you need to make any changes to the numbers you provided for the automated system. School Messenger will also call at 9:00 am if a student is marked absent without a call from the parent.

## ACTIVITY PASSES

Adult ticket prices are \$5.00. K-12 student and senior citizen (65+) ticket prices are \$4.00. Non-varsity events are \$4.00. An activity pass will be good for the entire school year but will not be honored at any tournament Freeman hosts.

Adult activity passes will be \$55.00 and student and youth/adults over 65 passes will be \$35.00. A family pass will be sold for \$125.00.

Passes may be purchased at the high school office. Stop by the office, mail your check, or send a check with your student, made payable to Freeman Public School, noting "Season Pass" in the memo field or on the envelope. Send to PO Box 259 to the attention of Marcia Kress.

Year-long passes will not be sold at the gate of any contest. Be sure to bring it to activities as there will not be a pass list at the gate.

## SECONDARY STUDENTS

The first bell rings at 8:05 a.m. allowing students to proceed to their classrooms. Students are to stay in the commons area and locker hallways between 7:50 am and 8:05 am. Only the East and West main doors are to be used as entrances. During the school day, students are to remain on campus unless excused in accordance with school policies.

The regular school day ends at 3:30 p.m. No student may be in the building after 3:45 pm unless under the direct supervision of an instructor or sponsor.

Students who must leave school for any reason during the school day must check out at the office before leaving. Students leaving school must be cleared in advance by a note or phone call from the student's parent or legal guardian. Upon returning to school that same day, students are to sign in at the office. Students who leave without permission and without signing out in the proper manner will be considered truant.



Freeman Elementary School will again be participating in the Backpack program starting this fall. This program is made possible through partnerships with the Food Bank of Lincoln and Freeman Elementary School. There will be 34 Fridays during the school year that a backpack filled with items such as cereal, canned fruits or vegetables, spaghetti, peanut butter and jelly, or mac n' cheese will be sent home for your family. Backpacks will be discreetly delivered to students on Fridays and it is their responsibility to bring the backpack back to school on the following Monday. In addition to nonperishable foods, vouchers to the local grocery store will also be sent home each week. These can be redeemed at area stores, a list of which will be provided to you in the fall.

If you would like to participate in the program, please sign and return this form to the school office by August 13<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions please contact: Randy Page, 402-988-2525 ext. 103. Please be aware that our school may only select 20 participants for the program. We will work very hard to meet the needs of all families who show interest.

Food Bank of Lincoln Backpack Program:

- Pallets are delivered to Freeman Public Schools with 12 weeks of food on them
- Backpacks are loaded by volunteers for Friday pick-up by students
- Backpacks are discretely delivered to students on Fridays and are expected to be returned on Mondays
- Many area schools already participate in this program very successfully
- Vouchers included vary each week for eggs, bread, milk, produce and meat
- There is no cost or charge to be part of this program
- Freeman is limiting participation in this program to 20 families
- Thank you for considering participation in this program!
- If you have any questions please contact me directly, 988-2525 ext. 103

Sincerely,  
Randy Page

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, our Family would like to participate in the Freeman/Food Bank Backpack Program. My responsibility is to be sure the backpack is returned to school each Monday.

\_\_\_\_\_ No, our family is not interested in the Backpack Program at this time.

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Parent or Guardian Signature

## **SPORTS DRINK SCRIMMAGE AND ATHLETIC BOOSTERS FUNDRAISER**

Volleyball and football scrimmages will be on August 17th. The volleyball scrimmage will begin at 6:00 p.m. with the football scrimmage to follow at 7:00 p.m. Admission will be one bottle of sports drink (example Gatorade, etc.) to be used by the players for away games. A welcome back meal will be served following the scrimmages as a fundraiser for the Athletic Boosters.

### **STUDENT FEES**

Any 7-12 students wishing to participate in any extra-curricular activity will be required to pay an activity fee plus a technology fee. Any 7-12 student not participating in extra-curricular activities will only be required to pay the technology fee of \$15.

The activity fee will be used to help offset expenses of uniforms, equipment, and officiating and the technology fee will allow the student to keep their Chromebook when they graduate. Junior High student's fees will be \$35 activity fee + \$15 technology fee for a total of \$50. Senior High student's fees will be \$55 activity fee + \$15 technology fee for a total of \$70. This fee is NOT per activity but per year. The only activity not requiring a fee is Junior High vocal music because this is a required class.

In exchange for the activity fee, all 7-12 students are admitted into all home activities at the school AT NO CHARGE! The exception is the Sportsman's Holiday Basketball Tournament, and any Conference or NSAA sponsored activity that Freeman hosts.

All fees must be paid at the HS office before the student may participate in any extra-curricular event. Checks can be made payable to: Freeman High School. Please note "Student Fees" on the envelope or in the memo field on the check. **DO NOT include lunch payment with this fee.**

If your family qualifies for Free/Reduced Lunches, you may request that the student fee for your child/children be waived. Upon notification of approval for Free/Reduced lunches, complete and submit a Waiver application form.

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## **MEDICAL INFO NEEDED**

Please return action plans for any student that has asthma, diabetes, severe allergies or seizures. Kindergarten physical and vision exams, updated immunizations, 7<sup>th</sup> grade physicals and health updates also need to be turned in.

### **FOOTBALL PRESS BOX "SUITES"**

Freeman has two suites available in the football press box. The school is offering them to the public for varsity football games during the season via bids.

People interested in bidding on suites for home games are asked to submit their bid via e-mail to Scott Anderson ([sanderson@freemanschools.net](mailto:sanderson@freemanschools.net)). Please include a phone number so the winning bidders can be contacted.

### **CHROMEBOOK USAGE FOR 2018-2019**

Freeman 5-12 students will receive Chromebooks in the school year. Every student in grades 5-12 will be issued the device as Freeman follows through on its 1:1 technology initiative approved by the Board of Education.

Chromebooks will be checked out to each student on the first day of school. Students in grades 7-12 will be able to take the computers home with them at night and keep them through the entire school year. 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade students will keep their Chromebooks at school.

### **FACILITY USAGE**

Shortly after school begins, the office starts getting requests for use of the gym for practices from parents who are coaches for their children's Y-sponsored teams. When renting the gym, coaches will be required to sign the usage agreement and put down a damage deposit. Failure to monitor the children in your group may result in being denied further usage of the gym. Please contact Scott Anderson at 402-988-2525 ext. 160 or [sanderson@freemanschools.net](mailto:sanderson@freemanschools.net), for more information.

# MENUS

Cereal, juice & fruit are offered with breakfast. All meals come with one carton of milk.  
Extra milk may be purchased for \$0.35 each. Menu subject to change

		<u>Breakfast</u>	<u>Lunch</u>
<b><u>August 15-17</u></b>	Wednesday:	<b>Donuts (7:50-8:10 AM only-K-12 )</b>	Hamburger, Bun Veggies & Fruit
	Thursday:	Muffins	Corn Dog, Vegetables, Fruit
	Friday:	Omelets	Pizza. Vegetables, Fruit
<b><u>August 20-24</u></b>	Monday:	French Toast	BBQ Pork, Bun, Potato Wedges, Fruit
	Tuesday:	Donut	Chicken Patty Potatoes & Gravy B&B, Fruit
	Wednesday:	Pancakes	Hot Dog, Bun, Vegetables, Fruit
	Thursday:	Sausage & Biscuit	Sloppy Joe Bun , Vegetable, Fruit
	Friday:	Omelets	Fiestada, Vegetables, Fruit
<b><u>August 27-31</u></b>	Monday:	French Toast	Ribette, Bun, Potato Wedges, Fruit
	Tuesday:	Pancakes	Country Fried Steak, Potatoes & Gravy, B& B, Fruit
	Wednesday:	Muffins	Chicken quesadilla, Rice, Vegetables, Fruit
	Thursday:	Donut	Spaghetti & Meat sauce, Breadstick, Vegetables, Fruit
	Friday:	Omelets	Beef Stew, Biscuit, Vegetables, Fruit

**High School breakfast will now be offered before school and between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> hour unless noted on menu. Purchase of an entrée only or an additional entrée will cost \$1.00 for 11-12 students and all staff.**

## TOTAL MONTHLY COST

	Days	Price	Total
K-6 Lunches:	13	\$2.75	\$35.75
7-12 Lunches	13	\$3.05	\$39.65
K-12 Reduced Lunch:	13	\$0.40	\$5.20
K-12 Breakfast:	12	\$1.75	\$21.00
K-12 Reduced Breakfast:	12	\$0.30	\$3.60
K-2 Afternoon Milk	12	\$0.35	\$4.20
Adult Lunch Price:		\$3.60	



## Freeman Education Association (FEA) Back – To – School Family Picnic

Monday, August 13, 2018

6:00-7:00pm Freeman School Lunchroom

Meal: Hotdog, Chips, Dessert, Drink

Cost: \$4.00 per plate \$1.00 for extra hotdog

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