Annual School Budget Vote and Board of Education Election

TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2017 • POLLS OPEN 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Blasdell Elementary students in Mrs. Bergenson and Mrs. Clifford’s first grade class were thrilled to receive books compliments of Blasdell Pizza Hut. Blasdell Elementary was selected to be the recipients of 1,000 books by Blasdell Pizza Hut through their Literacy Campaign. Complete story on page 8. Kneeling left to right: Julian Olden, Lily Zaprzal, Emi Mayle, Michael Echeverria, Carolanne Free. Middle row standing left to right: Madelyn Kuebler, Blake Larivey, Kyairah Johnson, Parker Fannan, Bryson Ray, Lillian Kirbis, Brooke Kielar, Gabriella Incorvaia, Serenity Somerville, Janay Hamilton, Brody Fik. Back row: Blasdell first grade teachers, Deb Clifford and Sarah Bergenson; Blasdell Principal, Linda Dansa; Pizza Hut representatives, Deb Heller, Elena Kostadinovski, Pizza Hut Ambassador; Sheila Wurthman, Walt Ruta and Kelly Sweeney.

One Polling Site For All Frontier Central Schools

Hamburg Senior Community Center, 4540 Southwestern Blvd., Hamburg

Voting will take place in the gymnasium. Please remember to bring your ID.
This year the Board of Education is presenting 2017-18 school budget and capital project propositions for our community that are focused on the principles of improving student achievement and quality financial planning.

The proposed 2017-18 budget stays within the allowable tax levy limit of 2.43%. This will keep the Frontier property taxes amongst the lowest in Erie County. We were able to do this several ways. One way was to shift dollars from programs that were no longer beneficial to the district to programs that work for students.

An example of improving student programming, is that this budget allows for the hiring of a part-time science teacher for the middle school. Presently, students in 8th-grade who want to take Regents Living Environment (biology) need to have a 97 as a prerequisite to be permitted to take the class. This is due to lack of staffing. Any 8th-grade student with an interest in biology ought to be given the opportunity to take Regents Living Environment as it will provide them with more expansive science opportunities in high school.

By law, schools have to get voter approval whenever funding is required for capital projects, including major repairs and maintenance. Frontier recently identified over fifty million dollars in needed repairs and maintenance. We devised a long term financial and facilities plan that would not cause the district to significantly increase its debt service. The Board of Education has a long-term plan that district debt service cannot exceed .08 percent of the budget.

The proposed Capital Project proposition takes an important step towards getting this work done. The balance will be addressed via the annual operations and maintenance budget, capital outlay projects and a potential 2022 capital project. Please visit our web page at www.frontier.wnyric.org to see more details of this project.

On behalf of the entire Frontier school community I thank you for your consideration of the district budget and capital proposition on May 16, 2017.

Respectfully,
Bret

Dr. Bret Apthorpe

ONE POLLING SITE FOR ALL FRONTIER CENTRAL SCHOOLS

Hamburg Senior Community Center
4540 Southwestern Blvd., Hamburg
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All residents are asked to show on current proof of residency, which may include a driver’s license, non-driver identification card, an utility bill, or a voter registration card. In addition, all individuals voting will be required to provide his/her signature, printed name and address. Please remember to bring your ID.

Frontier is committed to providing its students with a challenging, rigorous education by offering a variety of programs and services to effectively support the educational process

Chiavetta’s Chicken BBQ dinners will be available at the Senior Center from 3:00-7:00 p.m. • May 16
Pre-order you dinners below or e-mail Msnyder@frontiercsd.org with any questions.

Name: ____________________________________________________________ Email: ___________________________________________________________ Phone: _______ # of dinners

PLEASE PRINT

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_____ x$10 each = $_________ enclosed  # of Senior _______ each = $ ______________ enclosed

Make checks payable to FRONTIER HIGH SCHOOL and return to:
Mary Frances Snyder at Frontier High School, 4432 Bay View Road, Hamburg NY 14075.
You will get an e-mail confirmation. To redeem, give your name by 6:30 on 5/16.
Frontier’s Terrific Kids

We wish to congratulate the Frontier Terrific Kids in Grades 4 and 5 that are honored each month by the Kiwanis Club of Hamburg as being Thoughtful, Enthusiastic, Respectful, Friendly, Impeccable and Caring.

**Monthly Honors**

Frontier High School PTSA and ETHOS (the high school character club) sponsor the Monthly Honors program, recognizing students and staff members.

Each month 16 students, a teacher and a staff member are selected from nominations submitted by their peers. Individuals have been nominated for their outstanding personal character traits or their actions that have helped improve the Frontier High School community.

Congratulations to the following Monthly Honors:

**Teacher** - Mrs. Cherie Scherbarth

**Staff Member** - Mr. Bob Markel

**Students:**

- Freshman A.C.E. - Angela Anzalone
- Freshman A.C.E. - Sean Dlugosz
- Building-At-Large - Ty Baker
- Building-At-Large - Nicholas Ceccarelli
- Building-At-Large - Richard Mann
- Art Department - Emilee Smardz
- Business Department - Zachary Buncy
- English Language Arts Department - Bethany Laufer
- Family Consumer Science Department - Gabriella DeMeo
- Health Education Department - Nathan Dolan
- Mathematics Department - Stephanie Heilmich
- Music Department - Jeffrey Heferle
- Physical Education Department - Lorenzo Earthman
- Physical Education Department - Abigail Maus
- Science Department - Lydia Podkulski
- Social Studies Department - Jacob Hettinger
- Student Support Services - Kelly Elliott
- Technology Education Department - Samuel Norberg
- World Languages Department - Jiana Qsouse

**Character Council of WNY**

**May 2017**

**Honor vs. Disrespect**

Honor is respecting others because of the higher authorities they represent.

**June 2017**

**Justice vs. Corruption**

Justice is taking personal responsibility to uphold what is pure, right and true.
FRONTIER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
2018 Capital Project
Vote on Tuesday, May 16, 2017

The Frontier Central School District is proposing a capital project at facilities throughout the District to help preserve our assets, address health and safety issues, and improve learning spaces/environments for our students. The project will address infrastructure needs identified in the 2015 Building Conditions Survey and by the Board of Education Buildings & Grounds Committee.

The information collected in the 2015 Building Conditions Survey (BCS) required by the State was used to develop a long term plan for facility improvements. The District’s Buildings & Grounds Committee met with our architects to review the information collected in the BCS and together created a long term plan to address our facility needs. The group then began to look at the academic program needs and how to prepare our facilities to adapt to the changing needs of our students, teachers and community. After reviewing a number of building and site improvement options, the Board of Education carefully selected the items that are identified as the most cost-effective solutions for the District’s building needs at this time.

The proposed project was approved by the Board of Education on March 21, 2017 and will seek voter approval on May 16, 2017. Voters must be U.S. citizens, at least 18 years of age, and a resident of the District at least 30 days prior to the day of the vote. Absentee ballots are available in the District Clerk’s office at the Frontier Educational Center. We urge residents to vote.

### Project Funds

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- Local share (amount covered by school taxes) of the project is $4,786,538 over 17 years
- Keeps total debt stable by adding new debt only when old debt is paid off
- Local share of all debt will remain at less than 2% of the annual tax levy
- Impact on a home with a full market value of $100,000 is $1.71 per year

### HIGH SCHOOL

- Bathroom renovations
- Replace gym flooring/wall pads
- Replace parking lots/catch basins
- Replace various plumbing/HVAC units
- Site improvements including track & field replacements, baseball/softball dugouts, grass field improvements, and pathway to fields

### BUS GARAGE

- Replace parking lot/catch basins
- Replace overhead doors

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*Existing bathroom partitions*

*Existing gym flooring*

*Existing parking lot/loading dock*

*Existing track & field*
MIDDLE SCHOOL
- Science room renovations
- Classroom ceilings/lighting replacements
- Auditorium/lighting/stage renovations
- Replace parking lots/catch basins/sidewalk
- Replace various HVAC units

BLASDELL ELEMENTARY
- Auditorium renovations
- Replace gym wall pads
- Ceramic wall tile removals
- Replace sidewalks
- Replace catch basins
- Replace various HVAC units

PINEHURST ELEMENTARY
- Auditorium/lighting/stage renovations
- Replace generator
- Replace catch basin
- Replace HVAC unit controls

CLOVERBANK ELEMENTARY
- Auditorium renovations
- Replace gym wall pads
- Ceramic wall tile removals
- Replace sidewalks
- Replace parking lot/catch basins
- Replace various HVAC units
2017-2018 EXPENDITURE BUDGET: WHERE THE MONEY GOES

New York State requires all school districts to report expenditures in three categories: Program, Administrative and Capital. Components are listed below for each category.

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<th>ADMINISTRATIVE COMPONENT</th>
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<td>Central Administration</td>
<td>301,142</td>
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<td>Instructional Administration</td>
<td>2,605,987</td>
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<td>Business Administration</td>
<td>608,666</td>
<td>.72%</td>
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<td>Board of Education</td>
<td>31,062</td>
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<td>All Other Administrative Activities</td>
<td>1,351,530</td>
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<td>1,789,402</td>
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<td><strong>Total Administrative Component</strong></td>
<td><strong>6,687,789</strong></td>
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<td>Regular Instruction</td>
<td>27,914,512</td>
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<td>Special Education</td>
<td>11,045,003</td>
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<td>Extra-curricular</td>
<td>751,092</td>
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<td>Community Ed &amp; Summer School</td>
<td>585,207</td>
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<td>Pupil Transportation</td>
<td>3,642,591</td>
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<td>All Other Program Activities</td>
<td>2,406,175</td>
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<td>Program Fringe Benefits</td>
<td>16,399,321</td>
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<td><strong>Total Program Component</strong></td>
<td><strong>62,743,901</strong></td>
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<td>Facilities, Grounds &amp; Maintenance</td>
<td>4,763,977</td>
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<td>Judgements, Claims &amp; Tax Refunds</td>
<td>40,000</td>
<td>.05%</td>
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<td>Debt Service &amp; Interfund Transfers</td>
<td>8,162,177</td>
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<td>Capital Fringe Benefits</td>
<td>1,774,553</td>
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<td><strong>Total Capital Component</strong></td>
<td><strong>14,740,707</strong></td>
<td><strong>17.51%</strong></td>
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| TOTAL GENERAL FUND BUDGET | | 100.00% |
|---------------------------|-----------------|
| **84,172,397**            |                   |

**Components**

- Program: 74.54%
- Administrative: 7.95%
- Capital: 17.51%

**Proposed 2017-2018 Budget**

- Budget for 2016-17: $78,601,595
- Budget for 2017-18: $84,172,397
- Before Reserve Transfer: $80,772,397 2.76%
- After Reserve Transfer*: $84,172,397 7.09%

* includes $3,400,000 transfer from Reserve for the 2018 Capital Project
REVENUES TO SUPPORT THE 2017-2018 BUDGET: WHERE DOES THE MONEY COME FROM

The following sources represent anticipated revenues to support the 2017-18 budget

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<th>SOURCE</th>
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<td>Property Tax</td>
<td>$ 37,808,502</td>
<td>48.1%</td>
<td>$ 38,727,313</td>
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<td>State Aid &amp; Federal Aid</td>
<td>$ 32,937,084</td>
<td>41.5%</td>
<td>$ 33,163,579</td>
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<td>Erie County Sales Tax</td>
<td>$ 4,842,991</td>
<td>6.2%</td>
<td>$ 5,300,000</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous</td>
<td>$ 2,209,368</td>
<td>3.2%</td>
<td>$ 2,377,855</td>
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<td>Appropriated Fund Balance/Reserves</td>
<td>$ 803,650</td>
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<td>$ 4,603,650</td>
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<td>Total Revenues</td>
<td>$ 78,601,595</td>
<td>100.0%</td>
<td>$ 84,172,397</td>
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“Working Together for Excellence,” continues to be the theme of accomplishment in the Frontier Central School District, based upon a strong home, school and community partnership.

TAX RATE INFORMATION

Please note that tax rates reflected below may fluctuate due to changes in final assessment figures and equalization rates.

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<th>Town</th>
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<td>Hamburg</td>
<td>$26.85</td>
<td>$27.42</td>
<td>$.57</td>
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<td>Eden</td>
<td>$22.24</td>
<td>$22.62</td>
<td>$.38</td>
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Middle School Honor Band

Members of the Frontier Middle School 8th-grade band were joined by 7th and 8th-grade students from across the state to take part in the New York State Band Director's Association Middle School Honor Band the weekend of March 3rd and 4th at the Holiday Inn Convention Center in Liverpool, New York. The students were selected based on their NYSSMA solo festival audition score last spring and their teacher's recommendation. While there, they were under the direction of conductor Dr. Shelley Jagow from Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio. The students also attended other activities including a leadership workshop given by Ronald Sutherland.

Left to right: Madelyn Stoklosa, Madison Freund, Aubrie Swaenepoel, Joseph Syta, Madeline Peters, Emily Jones and music teacher, Mr. Todd Macon.
Proposition No. 1  
2017-18 BUDGET

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

RESOLVED, that the budget for the Frontier Central School District (the “School District”) be authorized to expend an amount not to exceed $84,172,397 for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018, as presented by the Board of Education (which includes appropriations for the educational program, for transportation supplies, for student instructional supplies, for equipment and materials and for interscholastic sports activities and expenses), is hereby approved and adopted, and the necessary real property taxes required shall be raised by a tax on the taxable property in the School District to be levied and collected as required by law.

Proposition No. 2  
PURCHASE AND FINANCING OF SCHOOL BUSES

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Frontier Central School District (the “School District”) is hereby authorized to acquire various school buses for use in the transportation program of the School District, at an estimated maximum total cost of $912,678 as presented by the Board of Education, and that such estimated cost thereof (or so much thereof as may be necessary), plus an amount sufficient to cover interest incurred, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of the School District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law, and in anticipation of such tax, obligations of the School District are hereby authorized to be issued in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed $21,000,000, and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on such obligations as the same shall become due and payable.

Proposition No. 3  
2018 CAPITAL PROJECT

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

RESOLVED, that (a) the Board of Education (the “Board”) of the Frontier Central School District (the “School District”) is hereby authorized to undertake a 2018 Capital Project (the “Project”) consisting of the reconstruction, rehabilitation and renovation, in part, and the construction of improvements and upgrades to various School District buildings and facilities (and the sites thereof) to implement various health, safety, accessibility and Code compliance measures and various other measures included in and described in (but not to be limited by) the Project Plan referred to in the public notice of the vote on this Proposition, and to expend therefor an amount not to exceed $21,000,000; (b) the School District is authorized to expend or apply toward the Project (during the current fiscal year of the School District) the amount of $3,400,000 from the School District’s Capital Reserve Fund that was established in May of 2016; (c) a tax is hereby voted in an amount not to exceed $21,000,000 to finance the balance of the estimated maximum cost of the Project, such tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by the Board; (d) in anticipation of such tax, obligations of the School District are hereby authorized to be issued in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed $21,000,000, and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on such obligations as the same shall become due and payable; and (e) New York State Building Aid funds expected to be received by the School District are anticipated to offset a substantial part of such costs, and such funds, to the extent received, shall be applied to offset and reduce the amount of taxes herein authorized to be levied.

Annual School Budget Vote and Board of Education Election

TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2017 • POLLS OPEN 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTION

Frontier residents will elect two (2) candidates to fill 1, five-year term of office and 1, four-year term of office.

Running for a seat on the Board of Education are:

Please note that statements from candidates have been reprinted as submitted and were not edited in any manner.

**Taz Guishard**

My name is Taz Guishard and before I ask for your vote, I would like you to get to know me as a person. My mother was 22 when she had me. Being the third child to a single mom in the Caribbean was challenging. Our things were simple. Transportation wasn’t how, but rather how long to walk there. Sharing was a must.

Regardless, I knew I was blessed. You see, I got to live and get to love my grandmother and great grandmother. Through stories, I learned the principles of standing up for your family and community, and building character.

At the age of 8, we moved into my aunt and uncle’s two bedroom apartment in the Bronx. There, I learned the principles of sacrifice, determination and the importance of education. I watched my mom work full time while taking classes to become a nurse. She wanted better for us. And she knew that meant education. That’s why I take the education of my two kids and the children of Frontier very seriously.

You now understand my passion for family, for community and my push for strong education.

It would be my honor to serve this community. Thank you!

**Patrick Boyle**

I believe it is all about balance. The District must provide “all” of our children with the best education possible. Academics and career training come first. Music, art, sports, and clubs are what round out their development and make them even better. I understand just how important teachers, support staff, aides, bus drivers, and administrators are in making our District successful. I have no tolerance for wasteful spending and if re-elected will continue to ensure that your tax dollars are used wisely. We can have high academics, extra-curricular activities, and an acceptable tax rate – if we determine a reasonable balance.

As the General Manager of Information Services at National Fuel Gas, my job is to implement change. I know how to get people with different opinions to work together toward a common goal.

My vitals; B.S. from University of Buffalo, M.B.A. from Canisius College, thirty-plus years of experience in accounting, finance, budgets and technology, eleven-year member of District Audit Committee. All three of my children went through the district from Kindergarten through 12th grade. I have learned that listening is paramount and that all people have something to offer. I would be very proud to continue representing you! Thank you.

**Mary Ann Costello**

I joined the Frontier School Community in September 1977 and served as a teacher and administrator until my retirement in November 2016. As a candidate for the School Board, I will continue advocating for the education of all children in our community.

Public education is in a state of flux on the national and state levels. Unfunded mandates continue to impact the vital preparation of our students as members of a globally competitive workforce.

A Board of Education must be responsive and listen to all constituents. My efforts would center on serving all of the children in the community while being financially responsible to the taxpayers.

The Frontier Central School District has a tradition of providing a quality educational experience for students. I believe that this legacy needs to continue focusing on the Seven Cs of twenty-first century lifelong skills: creativity, collaboration, communication, cross-cultural understanding, career and learning, computer literacy and critical thinking.

My knowledge and experience will help me to provide leadership and partner with the Superintendent’s vision of Frontier Kids... Frontier Future.

Together, as a school community We can make vision a reality! I respectfully ask for your vote on Tuesday, May 16, 2017.

**Responsibilities of a Board Member**

With schoolchildren always their ultimate focus, school board members act officially at the board table, working with other board members to serve students and accomplish the following:

- Create a shared vision for the future of education
- Set the direction of the school district to achieve the highest student performance
- Provide rigorous accountability for student achievement results
- Develop a budget and present it to the community, aligning district resources to improve achievement
- Support a healthy school district culture for work and learning
- Create strategic partnerships with the community stakeholders
- Build the district’s progress through continuous improvement

- Adopt and maintain current policies
- Hire and evaluate the superintendent
- Ratify collective bargaining agreements
- Maintain strong ethical standards

Your local school board makes the decisions that determine how your community’s children are educated and how your tax dollars are spent. Voting for school board members is a simple but powerful way to support student success and strengthen your community.
**Fourteen Students Inducted into National Technical Honor Society**

A total of 172 students representing 29 local high schools were inducted into the National Technical Honor Society (NTHS). Frontier students from Erie 1 BOCES were recognized for their academic performance and commitment to learning.

The fourteen Frontier seniors inducted into NTHS were: Carter Bates, James Breindel, Hunter Carder, Madison Edel, Cassidy Fleming, Alyssa Genovese, Karah Glinski, Scott Klawon, Hayley Pirowski, Matthew Scheffler, Zachary Shaffer, Makenzie Victor, Halie Wizner and Rebecca Wolkiewicz.

**BLASDELL**

**Pizza Hut Supports Literacy at Blasdell Elementary**

Blasdell Elementary was the designated school that Blasdell Pizza Hut chose to donate 1,000 books to the students. The locally owned and operated Pizza Hut restaurants engaged customers and team members through a coordinated fundraising campaign in the fall of 2016 to enable literacy resources, empower teachers and inspire readers in our local communities. This was a nation-wide effort to raise money for The Literacy Project.

There were three restaurants in the WNY area that raised the most money and were able to select a local school to purchase and deliver 1,000 books to! The Blasdell Pizza Hut was one of these top 10 restaurants! Each restaurant had one employee, or ambassador, who encouraged the whole restaurant team to get involved and help raise the money. The Blasdell Ambassador, Elena Kostadinovski, choose Blasdell Elementary to donate the 1,000 books to.

After the 1,000 books were delivered to Blasdell Elementary, representatives from Pizza Hut came to the school and visited classrooms dispersing books to their students. Each student received a book, and the remainder will go into classrooms and the Library Media Center.

**BIG TREE**

**Life Imitates Art!**

Mrs. Cerone’s fifth-grade class finished reading the book *Pay It Forward* written by Catherine Ryan Hyde. The message in the book of doing something nice for others without expecting something in return touched each one of the students in a different way. Some young men in the classroom were moved from thought to action! They worked together to “pay it forward” to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. The boys decided to make bracelets and book tags to sell.

Their hard work and effort raised $64,520 for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. If a few young men can make such a big difference toward finding a cure for this childhood illness, just think about what we can all do if we “pay it forward” too.
**CLOVERBANK**

**Math Easter Egg Hunt**

Fourth-grade students in Mrs. Katelyn Piraino’s class celebrated their Easter party with a bit of Math. Each student received three math problems and had to find the eggs with the answers on them. Topics included place value, fractions, angles, multiplication facts through 12, and division. Egg questions were differentiated based off of students’ mathematical abilities and strengths.

The students enjoyed the challenge and excitement of getting the correct answer and finding the egg...Egg-cellent!

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**PINEHURST**

Congratulations to Pinehurst Elementary Music Teacher, James DesJardins, this year’s recipient of the Erie County Music Educators Association-BPO Award! This award has been acknowledged for the last 23 years to the best of the best in the ECMEA organization, which is a non-profit organization that represents and supports music education throughout Erie County and Western New York.

ECMEA's purpose since its inception in 1949 has been to advance and strengthen the cause of music education in Erie County. ECMEA not only provides leadership in the professional growth of teachers, but offers special opportunities for musical growth to elementary and secondary school pupils by sponsoring music festivals throughout the school year.

Frontier Central Schools congratulates Mr. DesJardins and is proud have our music education department once again being awarded Best Communities For Music Education!

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**Buffalo Bills and American Dairy Council Visit Frontier Middle School**

Middle School Character Council Students of the Month began their morning with lots of energy and a healthy breakfast served by special guest, Cordy Glenn, Buffalo Bills’ Offensive Tackle and Audrey Donahoe, Dairy Council Health Foundation Board Member. During breakfast, a $5,000 grant was awarded to Frontier to purchase a Grab and Go Breakfast kiosks that expand the district’s “Breakfast After the Bell” program and purchase new equipment to start an NFL Flag Football curriculum.

Frontier is proud to implement programs that increase physical activity and encourage consumption of nutritious foods among our students. Food Service manager, Jason Whipple, uses local produce and schools have healthy product vending machines. Environmental Club will begin a school garden this spring along with Fun Fitness Friday; before school intramural and the BackPack Program, that provides nutritious food in take-home back packs each Friday throughout the school year to children who might not have nutritious food available during the weekend.

The students enjoyed participating in various exercises, having an opportunity to win prizes compliments of the Buffalo Bills and learning about the importance of good nutrition and physical fitness from the guest speakers.
### School District Budget Notice

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<th>Contingency Budget for the 2017-18 School Year</th>
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<td>Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions</td>
<td>$78,601,595</td>
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<td>Increase/Decrease for the 2017-18 School Year</td>
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<td>Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget</td>
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<td>7.09%</td>
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<td>A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount</td>
<td>$37,808,502</td>
<td>$38,727,313</td>
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<td>B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable</td>
<td>0</td>
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<td>E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D)</td>
<td>$37,808,502</td>
<td>$38,727,313</td>
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<td>F. Total Permissible Exclusions</td>
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<td>$36,922,939</td>
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<td>H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, Excluding Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E – B – F + D)</td>
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<td>$10,918,391</td>
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### Contingency Budget

Should the proposed 2017-18 budget be defeated, pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law, the 2017-18 contingent budget figure appearing above reflects the following preliminary assumptions:

1. Equipment appropriations will be eliminated except for State aided computer hardware, students with special equipment needs and equipment essential to maintain the educational program.
2. The contingent budget figure includes the cost of outside groups such as Girl Scouts, Little Cagers and Hamburg Swimming to use school facilities. However, these and other outside groups will be required to pay for building use.
3. The Tax Levy will remain at the 2016-17 school year level as required by Law.

### Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings

$448

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2017-2018 by the qualified voters of the Frontier Central School District, Erie County, New York, will be held at the Hamburg Senior Community Center, 4540 Southwestern Blvd., Hamburg, NY, in said district on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, between the hours of 7:00am and 9:00pm, prevailing time, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine.

1 The basic school tax relief (STAR) exemption is authorized by section 425 of the Real Property Tax Law.