

**MISSION STATEMENT**

Committed to engaging all students, staff and community to ensure a diverse education through a culture of life-long learning.

**ACCREDITATION**

Friend Public School is accredited by the State of Nebraska and will utilize the Nebraska Framework.

**OUR DISTRICT**

Friend Public Schools is a state accredited Class 3 district located in the community of Friend on Highway 6 in the northwest corner of Saline County. The majority of the economic base for the 99 square mile school district is agricultural or ag - related. Adding to the \$476 million district valuation are locally owned industries and businesses.

The five year average (2014-2018) for PreK-12 enrollment is 260 students. Currently, there are 25 certificated teachers on staff, including two administrators. Certificated staff to student ratio, based on the five-year average, is one teacher to every 10 students. The district is using the NWEA MAP online assessments for norm-referenced testing. Students in grades 2-12 are tested two times a year providing a beginning of the year baseline score and an outcome score in the areas of reading, language, math, and science.



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**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

- Paul Segner.....President
- Scott Spohn.....Vice President
- Nancy Vossler.....Treasurer
- Nate Klenke.....Scott Vyhnalek.....Jamie Tuttle

**ADMINISTRATION**

- David Kraus.....Superintendent
- Liz Stutzman..... K-12 Principal
- Amy Hottovy.....Counselor
- Jim Pfeiffer.....Activities Director

**2017-2018  
ANNUAL REPORT**



**FRIEND PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
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Friend NE 68359

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**TELEPHONE:** 402-947-2781

**FRIEND DEMOGRAPHICS**

**Enrollment: 2017-2018**

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Total</u>
PreSchool	29
K-6	121
7-8	29
<u>9-12</u>	<u>81</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>260</b>

**Attendance**

96.38% of the K-12 students were in school every day.

**Student Characteristics**

- 25% of our students are eligible for Free & Reduced Meals
- 22% of our students receive Special Education services.

**Transportation**

Friend School District covers 99 square miles with land in Saline, Seward, and Fillmore counties. There were two bus routes that served our students.

**FRIEND TESTING**

2017-18 Junior ACT Results  
 Math 18.4  
 English 17.3  
 Science 18.8

NSCAS State Assessments  
 Combines Results for All Grades Tested  
 Percent Proficient  
 English Language Arts- 49%  
 Mathematics- 63%  
 Science- 73%

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

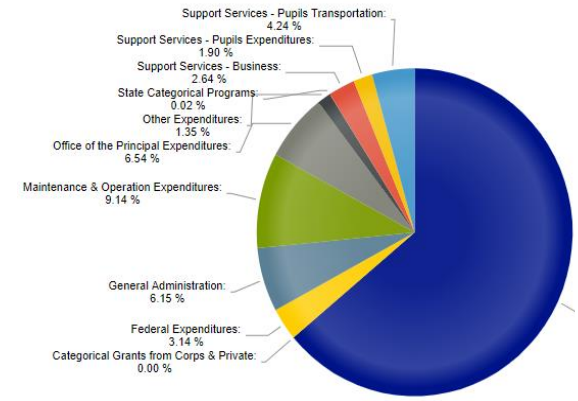
**2017-18 VALUATIONS**

Saline County	\$407,553,744
Seward County	\$65,926,668
Fillmore County	<u>\$2,769,432</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$476,249,844</b>

**TAX RATES TO FUND THE 2017-18 LEVIES**

General Fund	\$0.736744
Bond Fund	\$0.12146
<u>Special Building Fund</u>	<u>\$0.010605</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$0.868809</b>

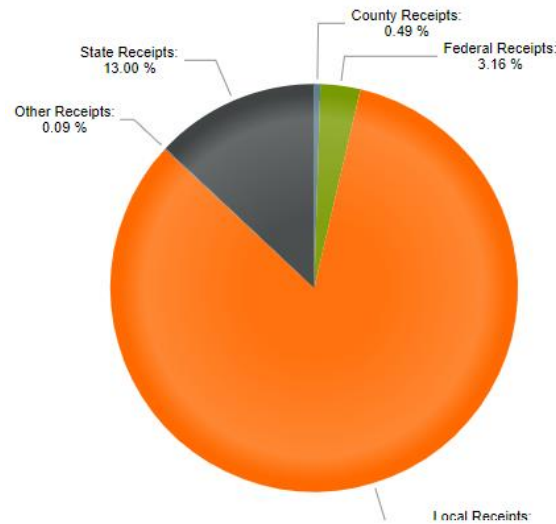
Friend Public Schools:Financial Expenditures



**EXPENDITURES**

All Instruction	\$2,514,302
Federal	\$126,691
General Administration	\$248,303
Maintenance & Operation	\$369,394
Office of Principal	\$264,242
Other Expenditures	\$54,500
State Categorical Programs	\$709
Support Services-Business	\$106,865
Support Services- Pupils	\$76,925
Support Services-Transportation	\$171,487
Support Services- Staff	\$106,961
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$4,040,383</b>

Friend Public Schools:Financial Receipts



**RECEIPTS**

County	\$20,771
Federal	\$134,504
Local	\$3,540,054
Other	\$3,617
State	\$552,769
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$4,251,717</b>