

the  
**Bulldog Newsletter**



**May 2018**



**2018 Prom Royalty**

Madison Zumpfe & Kyle Dickinson

Raeleigh Menke & Kolby Houlden

Queen Holly Manalili & King Darren Segner



## From the Superintendent's Desk...

As the season is changing, so is the make-up of the Friend Public School. Below are some of the changes you may find of interest.

1. Recently, Exeter-Milligan added FFA to their school. With their addition, Friend Public School will join and create one chapter for our students. Jesse Bower, current FFA advisor in Sutton, has been hired to fulfill that role between the two schools. Jesse has a wealth of knowledge and experience in FFA leadership and was recently named FFA advisor of the year in Nebraska.
2. Amy Hottovy will join us as our new school counselor and is currently the high school Language Arts teacher in Centennial. Amy was a Nebraska teacher of the year finalist in 2005, and comes to us anxious and excited to join our team.
3. Megan Kennedy is our contracted teacher through ESU and serves our Speech students. Megan has been reassigned to Fillmore Schools, which will bring Linda Hennessey as her replacement. Linda comes highly recommended by ESU and brings with her a lot of experience as an SLP.
4. Alex Clouse has been hired as our new 3rd grade teacher. Alex student taught in 3rd grade this year and resides in Friend.
5. Sadie Jones will be transitioning to 2nd grade next year from Preschool. Sadie has done a great job in our Preschool program and will continue this in her new position.
6. Allison Meints has been hired as the Preschool teacher. Allison previously taught Preschool and 1st grade in our elementary and resides in Friend.
7. Jenn Nantkes, a contracted service for vision impaired, will be replaced by Jennifer Haralson.
8. Diode communications will be enhancing our outdated camera and security system. We will be transitioning from older analogue cameras to HD and adding cameras in some of our higher traffic areas. We will also be adding a secure entrance system to the office. This will mean visitors will need to "buzz in" and be identified prior to entrance. Unfortunately, this is the world we now live in but safety for our students is a priority.
9. We will be updating our copiers and printers throughout the school with a lease program through Eakes. Our copiers are older machines and are in need of replacement. By going to a lease program, we will have newer equipment and service while saving money in the long run.

As you can see, it has been a very busy and productive spring as we prepare for the 2018-19 school year. It will be here before we know it. The 2018-19 school calendar and a lot of information is available on our school web site and can be accessed at [friendbulldogs.org](http://friendbulldogs.org). Our first day of school next year will be Aug. 15th. We will be ready for another exciting and successful year. ---Mr. David Kraus

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On Saturday April 21 Friend Electric Car Team traveled to UNL East Campus to participate in the Electrathon Race taking 1st place in the Advanced Class and 2nd to Wayne High School in the Exhibition Class.

The Advanced car had some mechanical problems due to an improperly hooked up battery pack that blew the controller. As a result we had to swap some parts from the Exhibition car to the Advanced Car to race and the race started without us. We managed to get back in the race but 5 laps down from the leaders, but with some smooth driving by Luke (Cool Hand) the team managed to beat all the Advanced Class cars. They competed at the Hastings Motorsports Park on April, 28.

For a schedule of events & race results go to:  
<https://sites.google.com/site/everonpowerdrive/home/schedule>

Team members include: Madison Zumpfe, Colin Riley, Luke Miller, and Darren Segner.



# from Mrs. Dickinson

## Elementary Principal/Guidance Counselor

May 1st, 2018

To The Parents of Friend Elementary Students

The month of April was a busy one at Friend Elementary.

The 3rd-6th grade students were busy taking their Nebraska State Achievement Test (NSCAS) formally known as the NeSA. All students worked so diligently and I am proud of their efforts. Their scores should be mailed from the Nebraska Department of Education next fall.

Our Early Childhood Round-up (Preschool-Kindergarten) was held on Tuesday evening April 10th. It was nice to see so many parents in attendance for this important event. If you were unable to attend, please obtain an early childhood packet from Mrs. Hulse in our office. Please remember that all students that will be attending classes next fall, need to be registered and paperwork needs to be into Mrs. Hulse for the 2018-2019 class placement. We are excited to welcome a new group of students to our Friend family. It is important for us to lay a strong foundation at this level to help our younger students get off on the right foot in their learning.

Friend Elementary was excited to host some of our neighboring school districts this past month.

Dorchester, McCool Junction and Shickley all visited our district to observe our reading program in action. Those three districts are interested in adopting a new reading program and wanted to see Wonders taught by the best. We are so happy to showcase our district and help other teachers, to help students achieve success.

Summer school letters were sent home with students in grades K-5 several weeks ago. If you received a letter, please return your response as to whether or not your child will be attending, as soon as possible. Summer school is offered to students on teacher recommendation only. If a teacher feels that your child is below grade level in reading or math, they will recommend this service. It is optional on a parent's end and is provided as an opportunity to help students maintain reading and math skills over the summer.

As I reflect back at the 2017-2018 school year, I cannot thank everyone enough for their continued support of me. This year has been filled with so many wonderful learning experiences and I am so proud of our accomplishments. We truly are a great school with Education being A Friend Value and that is and always will be the Bulldog Way!!! Let us all work together these last few weeks to finish strong!!!

A reminder that Thursday May 10th will be our PAWS celebration. This celebration will be for students that did not receive a Think Sheet 4th quarter. A medal will be given to those students that did not receive a Think Sheet all year. The students will go with me outside (weather permitting) for some extra play, pop-sicles and Principal's Award. Those students not able to participate in this activity will stay indoors with their classroom teacher. I am so proud of students who reached their goal.

Principal's Thoughts- I want to wish all elementary students and their families a terrific and safe summer.

Mark your calendars for these important upcoming events:

May 1st-Spring Elementary Music Program -7 p.m.

May 10th-PAWS Celebration

May 18th-Last Day of School- Early Release-12:30 p.m.





# May Lunch Menu



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	<b>Sausage Breakfast Rounds</b> Stromboli Marinara Sauce  <i>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</i>  1	<b>Cinnamon Rolls</b> Mandarin Orange Chicken Rice  <i>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</i>  <b>2:00 Dismissal</b>  2	<b>Egg Omelet</b> Hot Dog/Bun Chili Shredded Cheese    <i>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</i>  3	<b>Biscuits &amp; Gravy</b> Hamburger/Bun Sweet Potato Fries    <i>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</i>  4
<b>Donuts</b> Chicken Nuggets Seasoned French Fries  <i>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</i>  7	<b>Sausage Egg Patty</b> Mini Corn Dogs Potato Smiles  <i>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</i>  8	<b>Sausage Egg Sliders</b>  Sloppy Joes French Fries  <i>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</i>  <b>2:00 Dismissal</b>  9	<b>Breakfast Burrito</b>  Soft Shell Taco Toppings Bread/Butter  <i>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</i>  10	<b>Cherry Strudel</b> Fiestada Mexican Rice Churro  <i>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</i>  11
<b>Breakfast Pizza</b> Sub Sandwich Chips Cookie  <i>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</i>  14	<b>Turkey Bacon Breakfast Toast</b> K-6 Chicken Strips 7-12 Spicy Chicken Strips Tator Tots  <i>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</i>  15	 <b>French Toast</b> Meaty Nachos Toppings Bread/Butter  <i>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</i>  <b>2:00 Dismissal</b>  16	 <b>Egg Omelet</b> Hamburger/Bun Chips  <i>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</i>  17	<b>Biscuits &amp; Gravy</b> Steak Calzones Marinara Sauce  <i>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</i> <b>12:30 release</b> <b>Lunch to</b> <b>Elementary only</b>  18

According to the policy of the Board of Education of Friend Public School, all meals must be purchased in advance. A student will be notified in writing if and when his/her account has a negative balance.



### Kindergarten

- (2) boxes of 8 Pack Crayons
  - (1) 24 pack of #2 yellow pencils
  - (10) large glue sticks
  - (1) pink eraser
  - (1) pink eraser
  - (1) pink eraser
  - (4) 2 pocket folders  
Red, Yellow, Green, Blue
  - (1) box Zip-Lock bags
- Girls: Gallon size Boys: Sandwich size
- (3) containers of Clorox wipes
  - (1) bottle of hand sanitizer
  - (2) boxes of Kleenex
- \*\* Do not need to label items as we put them all together\*\*

### Grade 1

- 20 sharpened pencils
- 1 pencil box
- Washable markers
- Crayons
- Scissors
- 6 glue sticks
- 1 bottle of glue
- 1 bottle of hand sanitizer
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 1 2-pocket folder
- 1 wide ruled notebook

### Grade 2

- Crayons (16 count or more)
- Pencils (24 pack of #2 yellow)
- (2) glue sticks
- (1) big box of Kleenex
- Colored Pencils
- Markers
- (1) Scissors
- (1) Spiral Notebook
- (2) Erasers
- (1) pkg. loose leaf paper (Wide rule)
- (2) 2-pocket folders
- (1) container of Clorox Wipes
- (1) 12-inch ruler
- (1) 1 inch 3-ring binder

### Grade 3

(Please bring your supplies on Walk to School Night)

- (2) large boxes of Kleenex
- (1) container of Clorox Wipes
- (12) Sharpened #2 pencils
- (2) red pens
- (2) spiral notebooks
- (1) pencil box – (labeled with student's name)
- (2) glue sticks
- (1) box of 24 crayons
- (2) boxes of markers
- (1) scissor
- (3) 2 pocket folders
- (1) pack of sticky notes

# 2018-19 Friend Elementary Supplies



### Grade 4

- (4) No. 2 pencils
- Crayons or markers
- (2) big boxes of Kleenex
- (2) spiral notebooks single subject
- (1) big eraser
- (2) red pens
- (4) Odorless Dry Erase Markers
- (1) container of Clorox Wipes
- (2) Glue sticks
- (3) 2-pocket folders
- 1 inch 3 ring binder

### Grade 5

- (2) single subject spiral notebooks
- (6) #2 pencils
- (4) red pens
- (2) large boxes of facial tissues
- (1) large eraser
- (1) box crayons or colored pencils
- (1) box markers
- Metric/standard measurement ruler
- (4) odorless dry erase markers
- (4) 2-pocket folders
- **One each Red, Blue, Yellow, Green**
- (1) large glue stick
- (1) scissors
- INEXPENSIVE ear buds

### Grade 6

- Pencils
- (4) red ball point pens
- (2) single subject spiral notebooks
- (6) odorless dry erase markers
- Scissors
- Glue stick
- Calculator
- Markers or colored pencils
- (2) large boxes of Kleenex
- Inexpensive ear buds

# ----- FFA news -----

## 5 Friend FFA members receive their State Degree

Breauna Derr, Maggie Lawver, Darren Segner, Maggie Vyhnalek & Madison Zumpfe received their State FFA Degree at the 2018 Nebraska State FFA Convention. The State FFA Degree is the highest degree the state association can bestow upon a member. Each year members are awarded the degree based upon their comprehensive Supervised Agricultural Experience Program. FFA members must submit two years of SAE record books, complete the State FFA Degree Application and meet all minimum qualifications as well as pass a test in order to be awarded the State FFA Degree. The 90th Nebraska State FFA Convention was held April 4-6, 2018 at the Pinnacle Bank Arena in Lincoln, Nebraska.



Madison Zumpfe earned a Silver Medal at the Nebraska State FFA Convention in the Employment Skills category. The FFA Employment Skills Leadership Development Event is designed for FFA members to develop, practice and demonstrate skills needed for seeking employment in the industry of agriculture. Each part of the event simulates, as closely as possible, real-world activities that are used by real-world employers. In the competition, Zumpfe was judged on her telephone and in-person interview skills. Scores from her on-line application, resume and thank-you letter were also calculated in her final score. One judge commented on Zumpfe's "strong responses of work ethic, time management, character, care and concern for others." He added that Madison was confident with her answers and personality and that her sense of humor shines through her responses.

# 3rd Graders Tour Opera House



On April 17th, the Friend Third Grader's were given a tour of The Opera House, by Connie Peiper. The students are studying the history of our town of Friend. They had a wonderful time and took away many new facts and information about The Opera House and Friend. The kids found the history of The Opera House fascinating!



Elementary Student Council members will be taking a field trip to the Nebraska State Capitol building on Wednesday, May 2nd! They will be learning about the Unicameral Legislature and visit the observation deck on the 14th floor. Additionally, they will be touring the Governor's Residence after the Capitol tour. StuCo members voted on this particular trip, out of three different field trip options. They are excited to learn about our State Capitol and get a personal tour of our Governor's Residence! If you see one of these students after May 2nd, ask them to share what they learned!

# Washington DC & New York City Tour 2019

Planning has started for a student tour scheduled for late May of 2019. The tour is scheduled through EF or Education First. The 5 day tour is packed with highlights such as the U.S. Capital, White House and monuments of Washington DC before traveling to New York City to see the Statue of Liberty, Empire State Building, Central Park, as well as other noted tour stops. For many years, domestic and international tours have been organized and offered to Friend students. The last trip occurred in the summer of 2017 with Margo Houlden serving as sponsor.

Any student currently in the 7th grade or above is invited to participate in this great learning opportunity. The tour also allows parents or other adults to participate. If you wish to get more information about this wonderful opportunity, please contact Margo Houlden at [margo.houlden@friendschool.org](mailto:margo.houlden@friendschool.org) or call 402-947-2781 during the times of 1:00-1:45 p.m. or after 3:45 p.m.



## BULLDOGS OF THE MONTH

April 2018

### Student



*James Anderson*  
Sophomore

### Staff



**Joyce Nickel**  
Media Center  
Para-Professional



**Megan Kennedy**  
ESU 6  
Language Resource

# FCCLA-Strengthen Roots, Grow Potential

The 2018 Nebraska FCCLA State Leadership Conference was held April 8-10 in Lincoln, Nebraska. Meeting sessions were held at The Graduate and Pinnacle Bank Arena. The theme for the conference was “Strengthen Roots, Grow Potential” The conference provided an opportunity for members to strengthen their foundation and seek new growth in their future through leadership development, competitive events and career success.

Over the 3 day conference, students were able to participate in competitive events such as STAR Events and attend several sessions and workshops led by many inspiring speakers on relevant youth issues. Topics included leadership development, peer education, healthy relationships and much more. Students who attended the conference had the chance to listen to keynote speaker, Ryan Moran. His message encouraged FCCLA members to find their gifts and talents and not to fear the unknown. FCCLA members also heard the importance of how one person can make a difference.

Right:

Competing from Friend in the STAR Event, Focus on Children and receiving a gold medal were Hannah Manalili, Layla Al-Bumohamed & Blair Miller. The ladies completed a project titled “Eat Well To Live Well” which included teaching 5th graders about the benefits of healthy eating.



Above:

Kate Houlden & Holly Manalili competed in the event, Life Event Planning and received a silver medal. Their project involved the planning of a future graduation party. Congratulations to all the members on your hard work!



Friend FCCLA members attending the 2018 State Leadership Conference, Left to Right; Hannah Manalili, Blair Miller, Edwen Baptista, Kate Houlden, Holly Manalili, Layla Al-Bumohamed, Kyle Dickinson and Kolby Houlden



Senior FFA members retire their FFA jackets: Maggie Vyhnalek, Maggie Lawver, Darren Segner, Breauana Derr, Raymond Sharkey, Madison Zumpfe, Paige Kraus, Jared Lawver

The 3rd Grade class, Mrs. Stutzman, and chaperones were very fortunate to spend a day of fun and learning at The Hastings Museum for their field trip. They learned about the history of Kool-Aid, watched an IMAX movie about Lewis and Clark, saw a planetarium show about Earth, Moon, and the Sun, learned about Native American history, and took a tour of the museum! Thank you to the chaperones who came with us on our trip and to Mr. Kirchhoff for driving the bus for us! It was a day that we will never forget!

**Field  
Trip**



*Class of*  
**2018**



*Congratulations Class of 2018 !!*

*Baccalaureate*

*Thursday, May 10, 2018 7:00 East Gym  
Commencement*

*Saturday, May 12, 2018 3 p.m. West Gym*

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