

**West Fargo Public Schools  
Community Relations and Advocacy  
Committee Meeting  
November 10, 2020 @ 3:00 PM  
WFPS YouTube Page**

Committee Members: Jessica Jackson and Trisha Page

District Staff: Beth Slette, Levi Bachmeier, Heather Konschak, and Alicia Severson

Board Members: None

Media: None

1) 2021 Legislative Sessions

- a. Is it too early to start a conversation with FPS about collaborating with them as we have?
  - i. We usually collaborate with FPS because we come from the same area and have the same interests. We also have collaborated with other groups as well. We didn't collaborate with FPS and exclude working with other groups.
  - ii. Reach out to Fargo prior to the workshop.
- b. Legislative Priorities:
  - i. Increase the per pupil payment
  - ii. Ontime funding
  - iii. Adjustments to Medicaid
    - 1. This is millions of dollars and this is big for us as a district.
  - iv. Diversity and inclusion
  - v. Virtual Snow Days
  - vi. Alternative graduation pathways
  - vii. Negotiation Timelines (not for or against – just monitor this)
- c. Budget recommendations from the governor will be presented in early December.
- d. Breakfast with legislators? In person? Virtual? Smaller Virtual sessions that can be more narrowly based. District by district.
- e. Next Steps:
  - i. Organize a meeting with FPS after the board workshop.