



**FOREST LAKE AREA SCHOOLS  
FOREST LAKE, MN 55025**

**January 8, 2015**

**AGENDA ITEM: 12.8**

**TOPIC: YMCA Potential Partnerships**

**BACKGROUND:** The YMCA is building a facility in the City of Forest Lake. Construction will start in the spring/summer of 2015 with completion set for spring/summer 2016. There are many partnerships that YMCA Branches have with various organizations, including school districts.

**PROCESS:** Administration asked representatives from the YMCA to provide a general list of programs they offer and any examples of potential partnerships that might be of benefit and interest to our school district at the December 4, 2014 school board meeting. The School Board directed administration to pursue a potential partnership that would include the aquatics needs of the school district.

District administration has been working with representatives from the YMCA to develop a specific recommendation for the School Board to consider. In addition to aquatics, a practice space for the dance team was also included in the partnership since there is an immediate need for such a space to accommodate these athletes.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Presentation of a recommendation that would include aquatics and studio space for the dance team. Representatives from the school district and the YMCA will be available to answer questions.