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# Homedale School District #370

# Memo

To: Board of Trustees

From: Rob Sauer, Superintendent

**Date:** April 3, 2018

**Re:** Superintendent's Board Report

## 2018-19 Budget Process

 This is a reminder about the budget process. The budget will need to be approved at our June board meeting. Working backwards from that date, we will hold a budget workshop for the board in May as well as negotiations with our employee representatives at the end of April or early May. The focus of the negotiations is on salary and benefits.

#### **Legislative Updates**

- SB1212 This legislation amends Idaho Code to include approved middle grade career technical school programs in grades seven and eight. These programs would be eligible for added cost funds. Currently, added cost funds may only be used for approved career technical education programs beginning in grade nine.
- SB1280 This legislation changes school board elections from their current date of May in odd numbered years to the city elections in November of odd numbered years.
- SB 1267 The purpose of this legislation is to recognize graduating students who
  have exceeded the state's graduation requirements. This is a STEM diploma that
  recognizes the efforts of the students that went above and beyond the requirements.
- HB 443 This legislation adds a new section to Idaho Code that authorizes and encourages school districts to adopt and offer an elective course in firearms safety education and to authorize instructors who teach the course. We are ahead of the curve on this one as we offer an elective hunter's education course at the middle school.

#### **Blue Cross**

 Faith and Debbie will be attending a meeting with Blue Cross on Tuesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> and will find out the official rate increase.

### Van Purchase

• We have purchased a 2016 white Dodge Caravan with 35,300 miles on it. The purchase price is \$16,814. The gray Dodge Caravan will continue to be the van that is set up for driver's education use but will also be available for other district use when not being used for driver's education.