

County

The office of County Executive and the entire seven member County Council will be on the ballot in 2018. Five of the Council members will be elected by county districts while two will be elected at large. The County council is not be able to add to the overall budget that the County Executive sets so it is critical that we elect both a pro-public education executive and council.

County Executive



Jan Gardner Democrat

Jan Gardner has proven her commitment to Frederick County Public Schools by including above Maintenance Of Effort (MOE) funding in all 4 of her operating budgets during her term as the first County Executive. She has also proven a commitment to the schools in her capital budgets

providing funding to keep the construction of new schools on schedule. Jan has been a lifelong advocate for public education from her days in PTA to her work as an elected member of the County Commissioners. As County Executive, she continues to make public education a priority. *"Education is fundamentally important to our economic prosperity and to the continuation as a whole."* Jan has worked diligently to bring good government to Frederick County by being responsive, inclusive and fiscally responsible.

County Council—At Large Two to be elected



Kai Hagen Democrat

Kai has an extensive history serving the citizens of Frederick. His roles have included: County Commissioner, member of the Planning Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission, Agricultural Business Council, Affordable Housing Council, Solid Waste Advisory Committee and

the Frederick Tourism Council. He is a long-standing supporter of public education and stated, *"Put simply, there is no vision of a thriving and prosperous future for Frederick County that does not include excellent schools."*



Susan Reeder Jessee Democrat

Susan is an active member of the Frederick County community. She has served on various boards including the FC Fire and Rescue Advisory Board, Friends of Meals on Wheels, and is a founding member of the Frederick Innovative Technology Center Board. She also worked directly with our

schools as the MHS Band Booster President. She has worked in the science field for over 20 years. She understands the need for a quality public education as the economic driver for the whole community. She supports funding for FCPS above MOE.



Bud Otis Independent

As President of the County Council, Bud has supported public education by voting for above MOE funding for the Board of Education in all 4 budgets the Frederick County Council has passed during his tenure. He has publicly supported the transition to the new and more competitive pay scale for teachers.

He has also been a supporter of school construction funding. He is always interested in learning about the needs of staff and students.

County Council — One elected per District



Jerry Donald Democrat District 1

Jerry is a longtime social studies teacher in Frederick County Public Schools and knows firsthand the challenges we face. Jerry is committed to our schools, our Association and our county. During his first term, Jerry has shown a commitment to the overall quality of life in Frederick and knows that having

first-class public schools is a vital part of our economic well-being. He believes that adequate funding is what, "keeps classrooms from being over crowded, hires staff who are of top quality, and provides programs so that all students can enjoy the benefits of an excellent education."



Steve McKay Republican District 2

Steve McKay would bring a wide range of experience to the County Council. He has been involved in strategic planning and budgeting for decades in his professional career. He also has experience in community engagement, outreach and advocacy as the President of RALE (Residents Against Landsdale

Expansion) through which Steve has been a tireless advocate for responsible planning and development in Frederick County. He understands the impact of overdevelopment on our schools. He believes the budget provided to the school system must address the real needs of the school population and plan for the resources needed for the future.



M.C. Keegan-Ayer Dem., District 3

M. C. is a longtime education activist who cares passionately about our schools and the right of every child to attend a great public school. M.C. has volunteered countless hours fighting for the students and educators of Frederick County. As Vice President of the Council she has helped ensure open

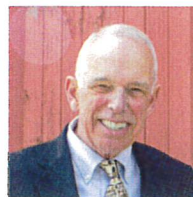
and transparent processes of the council. She has supported every budget that has included above MOE funding for the Board of Education. She is knowledgeable about all matters pertaining to the council and strives to work well with all.



Jessica Fitzwater Democrat District 4

Jessica is an elementary music teacher in FCPS. She is passionate about ensuring a great public school system in Frederick County. Her work in the classroom helps her understand the challenges students and families face every day. In her first term on the County Council, Jessica has proven she

is a thoughtful and capable leader. She has used her considerable talents and energy to help ensure Frederick County is a fantastic place to live and work. *"Excellent public schools drive economic development, job growth and the quality of life in our community."*



Shannon Bohrer Democrat District 5

Shannon is a candidate with considerable experience in public safety. He has worked in many capacities for the Maryland State Police and as an instructor with the FBI. His top priority on the Council will be management of growth. He understands how unmanaged growth affects the school system

and leads to overcrowding and large class sizes that impede a quality education. He also wants to ensure that the school system has the necessary resources to reduce class size and make pay competitive. "Pay should reflect competitiveness with adjacent jurisdictions."

