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ASBO Awards School District for Excellent Budget Presentation

Ashburn, VA – April 18, 2019 – The Association of School Business Officials International (ASBO) is proud to recognize Fargo Public Schools for excellence in budget presentation with the *Pathway* to the Meritorious Budget Award for the 2018–2019 budget year. ASBO International’s MBA and *Pathway* to the MBA promote and recognize best budget presentation practices in school districts.

Participants submit their applications and budget documents to a panel of school financial professionals who review the materials for compliance with the MBA Criteria Checklist and other requirements and provide expert feedback that districts can use to improve their budget documents. Districts that successfully demonstrate they have met the necessary program requirements may earn either the MBA or *Pathway* to the MBA, an introductory program that allows districts to ease into full MBA compliance.

“Districts that apply to the MBA or *Pathway* to the MBA programs recognize their community needs to be able to easily find and understand important district financial information,” ASBO International Director of Recognition Programs Molly Barrie, explains. “Awarded budget documents are accurate, easy to read, and communicate the district’s goals and objectives. Reviewer comments help districts continually improve their budget presentation—which is one reason districts apply each year.”

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