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**MEDIA ALERT** – Monday, December 4, 2023  
**Fargo Public School District #1**

## **SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL TO HOST FRESHMAN RESPECT RETREAT**

South High School's youngest students will learn a vital lesson about the importance of respect and responsibility to high school students on Wednesday.

- WHAT:** Freshman Respect Retreat  
**WHEN:** **Wednesday, December 6**  
Students last name A-K from 8:35 a.m. to 11 a.m.  
Students last name L-Z from 1:10 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
**WHERE:** The ATTIC, 1892 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Fargo  
**CONTACT:** **Dr. Todd Bertsch**, South principal, [bertsto@fargo.k12.nd.us](mailto:bertsto@fargo.k12.nd.us) or 701.446.2000 for more information.

South High School freshmen will participate in a Respect Retreat on Wednesday led by Rollie Johnson, an inspirational speaker and lay pastor at First Lutheran Church and his team. The retreat, held at The ATTIC, across the street to the south of the school, will provide support and guidance to the ninth graders as they continue the transition from middle school to high school. Students will learn skills that will help them succeed in their new academic environment.

Johnson and his team will lead the freshmen in engaging activities that focus on creating a positive school community and enhancing self-confidence, empathy, and connectedness. They will build a sense of comradery and school spirit and cultivate the attributes of Bruin CLASS (character, leadership, attitude, scholarship, and service).

Upperclassman members of the Bruin Ambassadors student outreach team will assist Johnson and his team throughout the retreat.

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