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MEDIA ALERT – Friday, January 26, 2024
Fargo Public School District #1

FIFTH GRADERS TO PUT BIG BAD WOLF ON TRIAL

He huffed and he puffed and he landed himself a date in court.

WHAT: Big Bad Wolf Trial
WHEN: **Tuesday, January 30** from 9:30 a.m. to 10:10 a.m.
WHERE: Clara Barton Elementary School, 1417 6th Street South, Fargo
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The Big Bad Wolf is on trial for destruction of property. The strong-lunged *Canis lupus* is alleged to have used his powerful breath to blow down no fewer than two houses belonging to brother pigs. It is believed there may be some intrigue regarding the architectural integrity of the homes in question, which were built out of straw and sticks respectively.

The fifth grade gifted and talented literacy group at Clara Barton Elementary School will attempt to determine whether he should be found guilty or not guilty in a mock trial on Tuesday.

During the preparation for the mock trial, the fifth graders received lessons about the law and analyzing evidence from real lawyers. The students have taken everything they've learned and built their cases for and against the accused.

Each side will deliver opening and closing arguments and will have the opportunity to question and hear testimony from two witnesses each. When the time comes, the wolf's guilt or lack thereof will be determined by a guest jury, including Clara Barton Principal Rebecca Folden.

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