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MEDIA ALERT – Monday, January 23, 2023
Fargo Public School District #1

SIXTH GRADERS TO EAT CRICKETS AND MEALWORMS DURING ENGLISH CLASS

Sixth graders at Discovery Middle School are about to find out if they have the stomach to stay alive, stuck in the wilderness.

WHAT: English class “Bug Day”
WHEN: **Tuesday, January 24 (periods 2, 3, 5, 6, 7)**
WHERE: Discovery Middle School, 1717 40th Avenue South, Fargo
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Sixth graders in Laura Kowatch’s English classes at Discovery Middle School will participate in “Bug Day,” where they will be invited to try eating roasted, seasoned crickets and mealworms on Tuesday, January 24. The bug eating activity will take place at the beginning of class during periods 2, 3, 5, 6, and 7 (see times below).

“Bug Day” is part of a unit on the book “Touching Spirit Bear” by Ben Mikaelson. In the book, the main character, Cole Matthews, is severely injured and immobilized from a bear attack. In order to stay alive, he must eat whatever is within his reach, including grass, worms, and mice.

The students don’t know about the bugs ahead of time, so they are sure to be surprised when they get to class.

Period start times:

2 – 9:36 a.m.
3 – 10:24 a.m.
5 – 12:22 p.m.
6 – 1:10 p.m.
7 – 1:58 p.m.

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