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**MEDIA ALERT** – Friday, August 16, 2024  
**Fargo Public School District #1**

## **SIXTH GRADERS TO RECEIVE INTRODUCTION TO MIDDLE SCHOOL AT ‘SIXTH GRADE ORIENTATION’**

Before they arrive at their new building for the first day of school, Ben Franklin Middle School’s sixth graders have a chance to get comfortable in their new environment.

- WHAT:** Ben Franklin Middle School ‘Sixth Grade Orientation’ and ‘Middle School 101’  
**WHEN:** **Tuesday, August 20**  
Sixth Grade Orientation from 10 a.m. to noon  
Middle School 101 from 11 a.m. to noon  
**WHERE:** Ben Franklin Middle School, 1420 8<sup>th</sup> Street North, Fargo  
**CONTACT:** **Kirstin Hanson**, Ben Franklin Principal, [hansonk7@fargo.k12.nd.us](mailto:hansonk7@fargo.k12.nd.us) or 701.446.3604 for more information.

“Sixth Grade Orientation” and “Middle School 101,” held at Ben Franklin Middle School on Tuesday, will help sixth graders and their parents prepare for the upcoming transition from elementary school to middle school.

At “Sixth Grade Orientation” from 10 a.m. to noon, students will get comfortable in their new environment as they meet their teachers, administrators, counselors, and school nurse. They will receive a tour of the school and learn about school procedures and expectations of middle schoolers.

Parents will get a better understanding of their child’s transition from elementary school to middle school at “Middle School 101” held from 11 a.m. to noon. They will learn about a variety of topics that will help their students with their new school, including guidelines for success, personal learning device usage, school communication, lunch payments, activities, attendance, dress code, and electronic device usage.

Students and families have another chance to check out Ben Franklin before the school year starts at the school’s Back to School night on August 22.

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