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EXPLORER ACADEMY STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN MOCK ELECTION

Explorer Academy students will practice casting their ballots on Election Day this Tuesday.

WHAT: Mock Election

WHEN: Tuesday, November 5 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
WHERE: Explorer Academy, 1780 17th Street South, Fargo

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As United States citizens across the nation head to the polls on Election Day, the students at Explorer Academy will join them as they participate in a mock election on Tuesday. The second through eighth graders will familiarize themselves with the voting process as they practice voting.

The mock election is the culmination of a social studies unit focused on civics, democracy, and the electoral process. The unit's aim is to help build a habit of voting, create trust in the voting process, and create an understanding of how voting works and what is needed and what to expect once they reach voting age.

Students will cast mock ballots during their lunch period, get a firsthand experience at what it is like to vote at a polling place, learn how ballots are tabulated, and await the results of their election.

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