



EVENT NOTICE – Wednesday, November 27, 2024
Fargo Public School District #1

The following information is for media outlets for the purpose of assigning staff coverage to the event.

FIRST GRADERS ‘RING IN’ THE LOCAL HOLIDAY SEASON OF GIVING

Washington Elementary School’s first graders are bringing holiday cheer, community giving, and a little joyful noise to the school lobby every morning.

- WHAT:** First Grade Red Kettle Bell Ringers
WHEN: **December 2 to December 19 from 8:10-8:30 a.m.**
WHERE: Lobby area of Washington Elementary School, 1725 North Broadway, Fargo
CONTACT: **Sandra Sterling**, first grade teacher, 701.446.5419 or sterlis@fargo.k12.nd.us for more information.

The sounds of sleigh bells jingling, ring-ting-tingling is coming from the front lobby at Washington Elementary School. The school’s first graders are taking turns before school ringing sleigh bells next to a Salvation Army red kettle each school day from December 2 through December 19.

Washington students and their families have been asked to bring their pocket coins to donate in the kettle. All money raised will be given to the Salvation Army to support their community programs.

The first graders from Sandra Sterling’s and Hailey VonMosch’s classes will ring the donation bells in groups of three to four students each day. For many of the first graders, this is their first time participating in a community giving program.

The 2024-25 Washington first graders continue an annual tradition of bell ringing at their school. This is the 19th year the school’s first graders have participated in the activity. In the program’s 18 years, the Washington students and families have given more than \$5,000 to the Salvation Army with their red kettle donations.

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