



**EVENT NOTICE – Tuesday, February 4, 2025**  
**Fargo Public School District #1**

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## **ELEMENTARY SCHOOLERS TO CELEBRATE 100<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SCHOOL**

The Fargo Public Schools 2024-25 school year is about to hit the century mark and students and staff around the District are ready to celebrate.

- WHAT:** 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School Celebrations
- WHEN:** **Thursday, February 6** and **Friday, February 7** (contact school for specific time of activities)
- WHERE:** Explorer Academy, 1780 17<sup>th</sup> Street South, Fargo  
Hawthorne Elementary School, 555 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Fargo  
Madison Elementary School, 1040 29<sup>th</sup> Street North, Fargo  
McKinley Elementary School, 2930 8<sup>th</sup> Street North, Fargo
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Seeing the number of school days held during the school year reach into the triple digits is cause for celebration. Thursday, February 6 is the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school for the 2024-25 school year and several of Fargo Public Schools' elementary schools are observing the milestone with events, activities, and theme days related to the number 100.

Explorer Academy students will participate in a day full of 100-themed activities, snacks, and prizes. Activities will include dressing up like 100-year-olds; creating designs with 100 Legos or K'Nex; doing 100 movements in the gym, such as 100 sit-ups for jumping jacks; building their own 100-piece trail mix snack; creating necklaces with 100 beads; and completing a research project about events that happened 100 years ago. This week, they have also been participating in a 100 acts of kindness challenge, wherein students are tasked with reporting a random act of kindness they complete or that they witnessed, with the goal of reaching 100 acts of kindness.

Instead of 5-and 6-year-olds, the desks in Lauren Moran's kindergarten class at McKinley elementary school will be filled with 100-year-olds. Students have the option to dress up as centenarians, however they think that looks. They will make Froot Loop necklaces with 100

pieces of cereal, build things with 100 items, have a special 100-themed snack, and participate in a 100 stickers activity.

Classes at Madison will be creating 100-themed hats, counting objects up to 100, creating pictures with the number 100, reading stories related to 100. Teachers and students have also been invited to dress up like they are 100 years old.

Jennifer Cantler's kindergarten class at Hawthorne Elementary School will celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> day a day late on Friday, the 101<sup>st</sup> day. They will create a Museum of 100 Things, complete a craft to create glasses or crowns shaped like the number 100, and write about what they think they will be doing when they turn 100 years old. For the Museum of 100 Things, the students have been tasked with bringing in a bag filled with 100 of a small item such as cheerios, beads, pennies, or chocolate chips. The students will place them in a circle and get a chance to see what 100 of each item looks like.

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