



EVENT NOTICE – Friday, October 3, 2025
Fargo Public School District #1

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

ELEMENTARY STUDENTS LEARN LOCAL HISTORY ON DOWNTOWN FARGO HISTORY WALK

Fargo Public Schools third graders are plugging in their headphones and taking a trip through history as they head off on a walking tour historic downtown Fargo.

WHAT: Downtown Fargo Walking Tour and History Presentation
WHEN: **October 6-8** (see full schedule below)
WHERE: Fargo Theatre, 314 North Broadway, Fargo
CONTACT: **Dr. Liann M. Hanson**, Director of Standards Based Instruction,
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About 375 third graders will learn the history of their hometown on a walking tour of downtown Fargo on October 6-8. Students from five of the Fargo Public School District's elementary schools will hit the pavement as they walk to historic buildings and landmarks and view historical photographs to learn the history of the city. The tour is part of the Fargo history unit of the third grade social studies curriculum. Other elementary schools will take the tour in the spring.

Past FPS eighth graders researched and recorded podcasts that give the third graders a step-by-step description of their historical stops. Playing those podcasts on iPods and following a walking map to direct the journey, the third graders will stop at many historical downtown buildings, including those that house Great Northern Bicycle Company, The Black Building, Hotel Donaldson, Royal Jewelers, Plains Art Museum, and First Presbyterian Church.

In addition to their walking tour, the third graders will witness a historical presentation at the Fargo Theatre. The presentation will include photographs of Fargo's growth in the past 100 years, despite setbacks by fires, floods, and tornadoes. The presentation is followed by the screening of a short silent film.

SCHEDULE

Monday, October 6, Bennett, Madison, and Lincoln Elementary Schools

Group 1 (Bennett & Madison): Walk 9-10 a.m., Theatre 10-11:30 a.m.

Group 2 (Lincoln): Fargo Theatre 10-11:30 a.m., Walk 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 7, Centennial, Bennett, and Kennedy Elementary Schools

Group 1 (Centennial & Bennett): Walk 9-10 a.m., Fargo Theatre 10-11:30 a.m.

Group 2 (Kennedy): Fargo Theatre 10-11:30 a.m., Walk 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 8, Centennial Elementary School

Group 1: Walk 9-10 a.m., Fargo Theatre 10-11:30 a.m.

Group 2: Fargo Theatre 10-11:30 a.m., Walk 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

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