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**MEDIA ALERT** – Friday, December 19, 2025  
**Fargo Public School District #1**

## **BEN FRANKLIN MIDDLE SCHOOLS INVITES THE COMMUNITY FOR HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE**

Ben Franklin Middle School is opening its doors and inviting the community to join them to celebrate “The Most Wonderful Time of the Year.”

**WHAT:** Ben Franklin Holiday Open House  
**WHEN:** **Monday, December 22** from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (see schedule below)  
**WHERE:** Ben Franklin Elementary 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.

Oh, what fun, Ben Franklin is inviting the public to join the school community to eat, drink, and be merry at its Holiday Open House, featuring holiday music, activities, treats, and games on Monday.

There will be a little something for everybody and plenty of holiday cheer to go around, with a wide array of activities spread throughout the evening. The Open House will open at 5 p.m. with a hot chocolate and cookie social in the school cafeteria and a game of SINGO (holiday song BINGO) in the library. From 6-6:45 p.m. guests will “Jingle Bell Rock” at a holiday concert in Gym 2, featuring holiday classics performed by the school’s band, choir, and orchestra ensembles. And from 6:45-7:30 p.m., attendees can put on their thinking (Santa) hats and test their wits in a game of Holiday Trivia in the library.

Other activities and crafts will be ongoing throughout the event, including contributing to a gratitude mural, making holiday cards to be delivered to nursing homes and retirement communities, creating clay ornament decorations, visiting Santa, and more.

Ben Franklin staff have decked the halls as they compete in a door decoration contest with attendees voting on their favorite uniquely decorated door. Guests can earn votes for the door contest by bringing non-perishable food items to donate to the Liz’s Closet pantry, which provides food and necessities for students in need. Each food item will count as one vote.

### **Schedule**

- 5 p.m.: Doors Open
- 5-6 p.m.: Hot Chocolate & Cookie Social; SINGO
- 6-6:45 p.m.: Holiday Concert

- 6:45-7:30 p.m.: Holiday Trivia
- All Event: Gratitude Mural, Cards for Nursing Homes, Clay Ornament Decorations, Visit Santa
- 7:30 p.m.: Doors Close

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