

# Spartan Spotlight

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## Greetings, Spartans!

Happy February. Believe it or not, we have under thirty days before spring. This winter has brought us some challenging and blustery weather. Having had two days off due to dangerous weather is a new experience for nearly everyone. There are many of us who are waiting for the sunshine and warmth we will soon experience. Hang in there! It is right around the corner.

Second semester is well on its way. We are three weeks in to it and conferences are only a little more than three weeks away. We encourage you to come in to visit with your student's teachers and touch base about progress made so far. There is still a significant part of the school year left. Meeting with them now provides an opportunity to become familiar with any new teachers with whom your student(s) may be working or reacquaint yourself with those teachers you already know. We look forward to seeing you there!

We at North wish you a very happy February! If there is anything we can do for you, feel free to call us at 446-2400.

Sincerely,

Kathy Cieslak  
Assistant Principal

## Students of the Quarter

The following students were recognized by faculty and support staff for their extra effort and achievement during second quarter. Their names will go into a weekly drawing for a front row parking spot and a t-shirt. The weekly winner's picture will be displayed outside the school office.

Jackson Ambuehl	Tenley Kloster	Kasen Sanders
Blayne Anderon	Evelyn Latunski	Tanna Schloesser
Mason Bleick	Lydia Lepper	Hannah Schoepp
Danny Boutain	Jake Loberg	Eleacia Sherbrooke
Nicholas Crommet	Ramiro Loera	John Shulstad
Amber Davidson	John Martin	Carson Shultis
Martha Denton	Grace Miller	Emily Skalicky
Johann Dystad	Justin Milliard	Rose Soori
Dominic Engen	Hadley Minieer	Benjamin Steffen
Erica Flores	Taya Opheim	David Stine
Chantz Foley	Raven Putney	Jacelyn Sveet
Lucy Forster	Austin Reid	Kessa Thompson
Micah Harwood	Jack Rose	Sienna Voglewede
Audrey Haugen	Emily Runsvold	Promise Zeon

## ACT State Wide ACT Test

On April 2, 2019 all juniors in the state of ND will be taking the ACT Plus Writing or the WorkKeys assessment. Students do not need to register for this assessment online, as all juniors are automatically registered for the test. Students taking the WorkKeys had to register by Friday, November 30, 2018. Please contact your student's counselor if you have questions.

## WorkKeys Testing

Any senior planning to apply for the North Dakota CTE Scholarship needs to complete the WorkKeys test. If a student is interested in scheduling a test either February 13 or February 27, they need to contact the Counseling Center ASAP. The student should check with their counselor to make sure they're on track to receive this scholarship.

## AP Testing

AP testing registration will open this month. AP testing costs will range from \$50.00 to \$100.00 per exam depending on possible exam STEM discounts.

Families requesting financial assistance should have their student visit with their counselor as soon as possible to complete the required paperwork to determine eligibility.

## Zapping the ACT

Doorway to College "ZAPPING the ACT" Preparation Seminar will be held at North High School on Saturday, February 23, from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. in Room #102. The cost is \$95. Students may register at: [www.doorwaytocollege.com](http://www.doorwaytocollege.com). Students should see their counselor if they are need of financial assistance.

## ND Academic & CTRE Scholarships

North Dakota high school seniors who meet all requirements for either the ND Academic or ND Career & Technical Education Scholarships must submit an online application between January 1 and June 1, 2019 to <https://apps.nd.gov/DPI/scholarship/login.aspx>. Students and parents/guardians who would like more information should contact your student's counselor or Career Resource Specialist, *Hannalee Shaw*, 701-446-2412.

## ND Scholars Program

The North Dakota Scholars Program is a merit-based scholarship, that provides scholarships to North Dakota's best and brightest high school graduates. The scholarship is a full tuition scholarship for students attending North Dakota's public and tribal colleges and a tuition scholarship equal to NDSU/UND's tuition for students attending North Dakota's private institutions. For more information on the scholarship programs go to: <http://www.ndus.edu/students/paying0for-college/grants-scholarships/#NDSP>.

## Upcoming ACT/SAT Tests

The ACT and SAT are college entrance tests required by most 4-year colleges. Students should check with the specific school they plan to apply to for the test needed. These tests are generally taken during the latter part of a student's junior year and during their senior year. Register on the websites for the tests at: [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org) & [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com).

ACT Test Date	Registration Deadline
February 9, 2019	January 11, 2019
April 13, 2019	March 8, 2019
June 8, 2019	May 3, 2019
July 13, 2019	June 14, 2019
<b>North High School Code: 350-568</b> <b>ACT Basic Fee: \$46.00</b> <b>ACT Plus Writing Fee: \$62.50</b> <b>Late Registration Additional Fee: \$29.50</b>	
SAT Test Date	Online Registration Deadline
March 9, 2019	February 8, 2019
May 4, 2019	April 5, 2019
June 1, 2019	May 3, 2019
<b>North High School Code: 350-568</b> <b>SAT Fee \$47.50 SAT with Essay \$64.50</b> <b>Late Registration Additional Fee: \$29.00</b>	



## Senior Pictures

The deadline to submit a senior picture is fast approaching. If your senior has not submitted their picture for the yearbook, there will be a \$10.00 late fee assessed if it's submitted after March 1, 2019. Pictures can be emailed to: [fnhyearbook@fargoschools.org](mailto:fnhyearbook@fargoschools.org)

**"It's a great day to be a Spartan"**



## Graduation Cap & Gown Orders

Please check with your senior to make sure they turned in their cap and gown order. If not, the order must be submitted directly to Jostens at the address on the packet. If you need to contact them directly, a message can be left at 701-235-1828.

## Attendance Reporting

Students are expected to be in their classes every day. Should your student need to miss school for any reason, it's the parent's/guardian's responsibility to contact our Attendance Office at either 701-446-2410 or 701-446-2411 by 9:00 a.m. to report the absence. If a student cannot be accounted for, they will be marked truant.

*\*Thank you for contacting the Attendance Office directly!*

## February PTSA Meeting

The February PTSA meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 15, at 11:30 a.m. at North High in room 102.

## Homework Hotline

North High has a Homework Hotline for homework requests for students missing **more than two days** of school. Most assignments can be found on the Daily Planner, but sometimes it is necessary to have some assignments gathered from a teacher. Homework requests placed by 9:00 a.m. will be available by 4:00 p.m. the same day. Requests placed after 9:00 a.m. will be available by noon the next day. The Homework Hotline can be reached at 701-446-2712.



## After School Reminder



Transportation arrangements should be made to have your student(s) out of the building by 4:00 p.m. Doors are locked to the locker bays and academic wings and students are not allowed to enter.

Students are asked to wait in the door foyers.

## Detention

Students with outstanding detention may not be allowed to participate in extra-curricular activities. In addition, seniors with detention will not be allowed to participate in our spring graduation ceremony until all detention has been served. We have detention on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 2:55 p.m. and 3:50 p.m. and Wednesday mornings at 7:45 a.m. All detention is served in room 635.

## February Conferences

Scheduled conferences will be held Monday, February 25, from 5:15 p.m.—6:30 p.m. If you have a scheduled conference you would have been contacted via mail or phone call from your student's teacher. Open conferences will be held on Monday, March 4, from 4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. in the Spartandome.

## 8th Grade Registration

Registration for current 8th grade students from Ben Franklin will be the evening of Monday, February 25. A letter was sent to 8th grade parents/guardians with their assigned registration time and location. We will be conducting scheduled P/T conferences that same evening prior to the 8th grade registration.

## P/T Conferences - March 4

Open conferences will be held Monday, March 4, from 4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. in the Spartandome. Teacher availability for the evening conferences can be found at the end of this newsletter.

## Spring Co-Curricular Meeting

There will be a spring co-curricular meeting on Tuesday, March 19, at 6:30 p.m. at Davies High School in room H101. This meeting is for any freshmen or students new to co-curricular activities who have not attended a meeting this year, but plan to participate in a spring activity.



## Boys & Girls Track Practice

Boys and girls track practice starts Monday, February 25. Students are to report to the fitness center immediately following period 8. Questions should be directed to **Gary Mailloux** at 701-730-8194 (boys) or **Talia Butery** at 701-306-0988 (girls).

## Senior Exemption Policy

An email was sent to all senior students and their parents/guardians outlining our Senior Exemption Policy. Any senior meeting the following criteria, in each class, will be exempt from their second semester final.

1. Must have a "C" average or higher for second semester in the class.
2. No more than two excused absences per class, during second semester.
3. No more than two tardies allowed in each class.
4. Attendance at funerals and school activity absences will not count against the student.
5. Students are automatically disqualified if suspended from school (ISS/OSS) or have truanancies.



## 2019 Graduation Notes

It's not too early to start planning for some important graduation deadlines. Graduation for the Class of 2019 is Sunday, June 2, 2019, at 3:00 p.m. at the FARGODOME. Prior to graduation, a few items need to be completed. Each student must meet the following obligations before a diploma will be presented.

1. All course work and tests must be completed before noon on Thursday, **May 30, 2019**.
2. All independent study and correspondence course work must be completed by Monday, **April 29, 2019**. Grades will be transferred to North High School.
3. All bills must be paid (media center, athletic equipment, PLDs, books, etc.) by Monday, **May 6, 2019**.
4. The final day of classes is Thursday, **May 30, 2019**.
5. All detention must be completed. If not, students cannot attend graduation.
6. Graduation practice is Thursday, **May 30, 2019** at 1:30 p.m. at the FARGODOME. **ALL SENIORS PARTICIPATING IN GRADUATION CEREMONIES ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND PRACTICE.**
7. If a student requests to receive a diploma without going through the graduation ceremony, they must notify their counselor in the Counseling Center by Friday, **April 19, 2019**.
8. Students are expected to dress appropriately. The cap, gown, tassel, honor cord (if applicable) and shoes are required.
9. All cap and gown orders should now be placed with Jostens.

## School District Report Card

North Dakota has launched a new website designed to help communities across the state access important information about K-12 districts and schools. [Insights](#) features easy-to-read reports on multiple measures of school success. Below is a letter to parents/guardians.

### Dear Parent/Guardian,

North Dakota has launched a new website designed to help communities across the state access important information about K-12 districts and schools. [Insights](#) features easy-to-read reports on multiple measures of school success, including:

- Test scores
- Graduation rates
- English Learner progress
- Student attendance

[NDInsights](#), or more commonly referred to as the “Dashboard,” is part of North Dakota’s new accountability system. It is the next step in a series of major shifts in public education that have raised the bar for student learning, transformed testing, and placed the focus on equity for all students. To learn more about the state’s accountability and continuous improvement, visit [North Dakota’s ESSA website](#).

To find out more information about our school, visit [NDInsights](#), select “Find My School,” and search alphabetically for our school.

#### Why a new system and new tool?

North Dakota is committed to informing communities about how well our schools are doing. North Dakota’s future success depends on tapping into the potential of all students, so they graduate choice ready with the knowledge, skills and disposition to be successful. For schools to reach this goal, teachers, parents, and the community need clear and useful measures of progress. As an accountability tool, the Dashboard will help the state identify schools receiving additional support and assistance.

#### What is different?

In the past, the accountability system for districts and schools relied heavily on test scores. But one test taken on one particular day does not provide a complete picture of all the ways schools are helping students succeed. The Dashboard continues to provide information on different aspects of student performance, but also includes information on school growth and other factors reflecting a more comprehensive view. The Dashboard replaces the former School District Report Card and Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) reports.

Please note, the data made available to the public masks or hides data for groups with 10 or fewer students to protect confidential information about individual students.

#### What’s next for our district?

We have strong plans for working to improve the educational programs at our school. We would like you and your child(ren) to continue to be active participants in our educational system. Please help support our high expectations for student achievement by participating in the school educational initiatives, offering input and support in our endeavors to raise student achievement, or volunteering at the school. Meeting our school’s goals will take a united effort, and I look forward to working with our families to ensure success for each student.

#### School Support under ESSA

All schools engage in continuous improvement for general support; therefore, our school will complete an AdvancED Continuous Improvement Plan annually. North High is not a participating Title I school, with a student membership count of 948. If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact the school at 801 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue N, Fargo, ND, 701-446-2400.

Thank you.

# Fargo Public Schools Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten Registration for Fall 2019 opened online at [www.fargo.k12.nd.us/registration](http://www.fargo.k12.nd.us/registration) on February 1, 2019. Child must be age 5 by July 31, 2019 to attend school in the fall.

Registration is a two-step process: online registration and document submission.

STEP ONE: Registration can be completed at home online anytime or at computer kiosks in the office at each Fargo Public elementary school building on the following dates with extended office hours:

- **February 25, 27 and March 1** – 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- **February 26, 28 and March 4** – 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

STEP TWO: *Once online registration has been completed, families MUST bring the following documents to the school their child will attend to finalize their child's registration:*

- Child's certified birth certificate
- Child's current immunization record
- Document (i.e. current city utility bill or bank statement) that includes parent/guardian name and address to verify the correct neighborhood school

If you do not know which school your child will attend, call 701-446-1043 or check online at [www.fargo.k12.nd.us/boundarymaps](http://www.fargo.k12.nd.us/boundarymaps).

## Upcoming Events

February 1 .....	One Act Play @ 7:30 p.m.
February 8 .....	Taste of the Season
February 9 .....	EDC Wrestling @ Fargo North
February 12, 15 & 16 .....	EDC Boys Hockey @ Grand Forks
February 13 .....	WorkKeys Test
February 14 .....	Orchestra Concert @ 7:30 p.m.
February 14 - 16 .....	State Wrestling @ FARGODOME
February 15 .....	PTSA Meeting @ 11:30 a.m.
February 15 .....	EDC Gymnastics @ American Gold
February 18 .....	Professional Development - No School
February 21 .....	EDC Band
February 21 - 23 .....	State Boys and Girls Hockey @ Fargo
February 22 .....	Improv Show @ 7:30 p.m.
February 22 & 23 .....	State Gymnastics @ Jamestown
February 23 .....	Zapping the ACT @ North High
February 23 .....	EDC Boys Swimming/Diving @ West Fargo
February 25 .....	P/T Scheduled Conferences 5:15 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
February 25 .....	8th Grade Registration 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
February 25 .....	Boys & Girls Track Practice Starts
February 27 .....	WorkKeys Test



Teacher	Monday, February 25, 2019		Monday, March 4, 2019
	Scheduled Conferences	8th Grade Registration & Activity Promotion	Open Conferences
	5:15 - 6:30 pm	6:30 - 8:45 pm	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Anderson, J	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
Arness, E	Appointments Only	Room 715	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Bertsch, M	Appointments Only	Room 511	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Bolda, D	Appointments Only	Room 414	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Bolstad, D	Appointments Only	Room 733	Office Hours/Room 333
Calrow, G	Not Available	Activity Promotion	5:30 - 7:30 pm
Campbell, P	Not Available	Not Available	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Capistran, R	Appointments Only	South Doors	4:30 - 5:40 pm Appts. 6:40 - 7:30 pm
Christensen, C	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Clark, J	Appointments Only	English Team Center	Appointments Only
Consdorf, R	Appointments Only	Room 715	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Court, T	Appointments Only	Room 513	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Critchley, T	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 7:30 pm or 5:45 - 7:30 pm
Dempsey, G	Appointments Only	Room 615	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Dobberstein, M	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Dougherty, K	Appointments Only	Room 715	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Dragosovich, K	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Ellingson, C	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	Appointments Only
Erickson, C	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Evenson, K	Appointments Only	Room 715	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Feickert, M	Appointments Only	Room 511	4:30 - 6:30 pm Appts; 6:30 - 7:30 pm Open
Finneseth, M	Appointments Only	South Doors	4:30 - 7:30 pm or 5:45 - 7:30 pm
Fisher, R	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	5:45 - 7:30 pm
Fraase, B	Appointments Only	Room 513	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Gilbertson, A	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Gillen, T	Not Available	Activity Promotion	5:30 - 7:30 pm
Gingerich, L	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Gingrich, A	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 6:30 pm
Hallquist, D	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Hawley, J	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Hemmingsen, K	Maternity Leave	Maternity Leave	Maternity Leave
Hoberg, R	Appointments Only	Room 511	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Jones - Schiller, A	Appointments Only	Commons - South West Corner	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Kallenbach, J	Not Available	Not Available	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Kaluza, B	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 7:30 pm or 5:45 - 7:30 pm
Keal, K	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
Kittelson, S	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Kloster, C	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	Not Available
Koenig, L	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Kollman, A	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Kupcho, B	Appointments Only	Room 705	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Larson, L	Not Available	Activity Promotion?	4:30 - 6:00 pm
Lehman, K	Appointments Only	Room 511	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Livingston, S	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	5:45 - 7:30 pm
Lohman, C	Appointments Only	Room 413	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Maughan, B	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 6:30 pm
McDaniel, N	Appointments Only	North Door Greeter	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Mead, W	Appointments Only	Room 412	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Melendez, T	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Midgarden, D	Appointments Only	English Team Center	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Miller, B	Appointments Only	North Door Greeter	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Moser, A	Appointments Only	Room 513	Appointments Only
Muhs, S.	Not Available	Activity Promotion	5:30 - 7:30 pm
Nelson, M	Appointments Only	Room 715	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Olstad, R	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Orth Gibney, M	Appointments Only	Room 511	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Osvold, T	Appointments Only	Room 413	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Ouren, D	Appointments Only	Room 715	4:30 - 7:30 pm or 5:45 - 7:30 pm

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Puhl, J	Appointments Only	Room 513	4:30 - 5:40 pm Appts. 5:40 - 7:30 pm
Ramstad, L	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 5:40 pm Appts. 5:40 - 7:30 pm
Riley, J	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 6:30 pm
Rivers, J	Not Available	Not Available	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Roland, A	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 5:40 pm Appts. 6:40 - 7:30 pm
Schneider, E	Appointments Only	Room 511	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Schneider, J	Not Available	English Team Center	Not Available
Schultz, G	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Schwandt, R	Appointments Only	Room 613	Office Hours/Room 613
Scott, T	Appointments Only	Room 733	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Shields, C	Appointments Only	Room 411	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Sitzler Erickson, K	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	5:45 - 7:30 pm
Smith, D	Appointments Only	Room 513	4:30 - 5:40 pm Appts. 5:40 - 7:30 pm
Stahl Ladbury, J	Appointments Only	English Team Center	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Strand, K	Not Available	Not Available	4:30 - 6:00 pm
Tollefson, A	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Volk, D	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	Not Available
Volk, S	Appointments Only	Room 715	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Walker, A	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Wanzek, M	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
Wollan, M	Appointments Only	Room 733	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Zelaya, H	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 6:30 pm
Zens, P	Appointments Only	Commons - South West Corner	4:30 - 7:30 pm
Zietz, S	Appointments Only	Activity Promotion	4:30 - 7:30 pm