

**SCHEDULES**

The West Fargo Elementary Schools use a Modified Block Schedule. This schedule allows for strategic flexibility for the school and teaching staff to better organize the day for instruction with less fragmentation of children missing classroom activities due to special services and specialty classes throughout the school day. It will also allow some students to attend specialized reading or math classes during the same blocks as their peers and not miss other instructional content, as each grade level will instruct specific material at the same time.

Classroom teachers meet to plan collaboratively during the scheduled specials block regularly. This provides an opportunity to look at student needs based on identified skills and curriculum. Students may be divided into small groups and/or different configurations to provide them more learning opportunities.

West Fargo Public Schools has determined the required minutes per day for each subject by grade. All elementary schools run on a 6-day rotation. Individual school schedules are available upon request in the school office or by contacting the classroom teacher.

**Required Minutes Per Subject by Grade**

	Rotation	Minutes Per Day by Subject and Grade		
		Kindergarten	Grades 1-2	Grades 3-5
Reading/Social Studies	Daily	90-100	90-100	70-80
Writing	Daily	40	40	40
Intervention and enrichment	Daily	40	40	40
Math	Daily	40-60	60-70	60-80
Science (also integrated into reading minutes)	Daily	15	15-30	30+
Art	2 of 6	30	30	30
Music	3 of 6	30	30	30
Physical Education	5 of 6	30	30	30
Health	1 of 6	30	30	30

To accommodate better supervision on the playground and provide enough time for our children to eat, some grade levels/classes will go outside for recess prior to eating lunch within their block. Please check with your child's teacher to determine their exact eating time.





The statements in this document are intended to provide guidance for daily procedures and practices in order to maintain order, efficiency, and continuity amongst our schools.