

January 10, 2025

Dear Panther Families,

Happy New Year and welcome back! I hope your winter holiday break was filled with warmth, joy, and time to relax and recharge. As we dive into the second half of the school year, I wanted to make you aware of our Best School Day Ever initiative.

This will be an off-site learning experience designed to provide every student and building staff member with a memorable school day. While each school in the District will engage in a unique experience planned by school staff, all participants can expect to be taken to a location that will not be disclosed until the day of the activity, like a museum, local university, recreation area, park, or, potentially, multiple local stops where they will be immersed in hands-on learning and fun for the whole day.

Please note that the date of each school's Best School Day Ever will remain a secret. I encourage all students to come to school all day, every day on time to ensure they do not miss this incredible experience. Details on your completion of a general permission slip for this one-of-a-kind learning opportunity for your child(ren)/student(s) will be provided in the very near future from each school building.

As always, we remain committed to creating a supportive and enriching environment where every student can thrive. Your partnership plays a vital role in our success, and we are grateful for your continued involvement in our school community. Together, we can make the rest of this school year one to remember.

While more information on the Best School Day Ever will be provided soon, if you have any questions, please connect with your child's principal or refer to the attached frequently asked questions document.

Stay Panther Strong!

Jasen Witt Superintendent Redford Union School District

BEST SCHOOL DAY EVER Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

1. What is the Best School Day Ever?

The Best School Day Ever is a unique off-site learning experience for all students and staff members, designed to increase excitement about learning and community involvement.

2. When will the Best School Day Ever take place?

The exact date for each school will remain a secret and will only be revealed once students arrive at school on the morning of the event. This is part of the fun!

3. Do students need to bring anything special on the day of the event?

Details about what students may need to bring, if anything, will be included on the permission slip or otherwise communicated by your child's/student's principal. Any costs for this unique learning experience will be covered by the District or other generous District partners.

4. Where will the Best School Day Ever take place?

The Best School Day Ever could happen anywhere. A few example locations include a local university, museum, recreation area, or park. Each location will offer an engaging and safe learning experience, and multiple locations may be involved depending on the unique experience a particular building/program has planned.

5. Are permission slips required?

Yes, permission slips are required for students to participate. Be sure to review, sign, and return the form that will be provided by each building/program by February 3, 2025 (the start of the Second Semester) to ensure your child can participate in their school's Best School Day Ever.

6. What happens if my child is absent on the day of the event?

Unfortunately, because the date is a surprise, students who are absent on the Best School Day Ever will miss this special experience.

7. How can families support the Best School Day Ever?

We encourage families to ensure students attend school regularly and stay engaged. Additionally, if you're interested in supporting the event in some way, or know of a local business or individual who may want to help fund or provide free or discounted services, please reach out to your child's principal.

8. Will normal classes be held on the day of the event?

The Best School Day Ever will replace the standard class schedule for that day, ensuring all students present on time have the chance to fully engage with the activities.

9. Is there a cost for students/families associated with the Best School Day Ever?

No, any costs for this unique learning experience will be covered by the District or other generous District partners.

10. Who can I contact for more information?

For additional details, please contact your child's school or the District office.