

Construction Challenges for Back to School

Our region experiences a number of road construction projects each summer, with some of them carrying over into the fall and back to school season. This year is no different, so your route to school may be a little different this year than it was last. Here are some of the projects within Grand Forks that we are aware of, but please look for information from your school and posted by your city regarding any closures or changes!

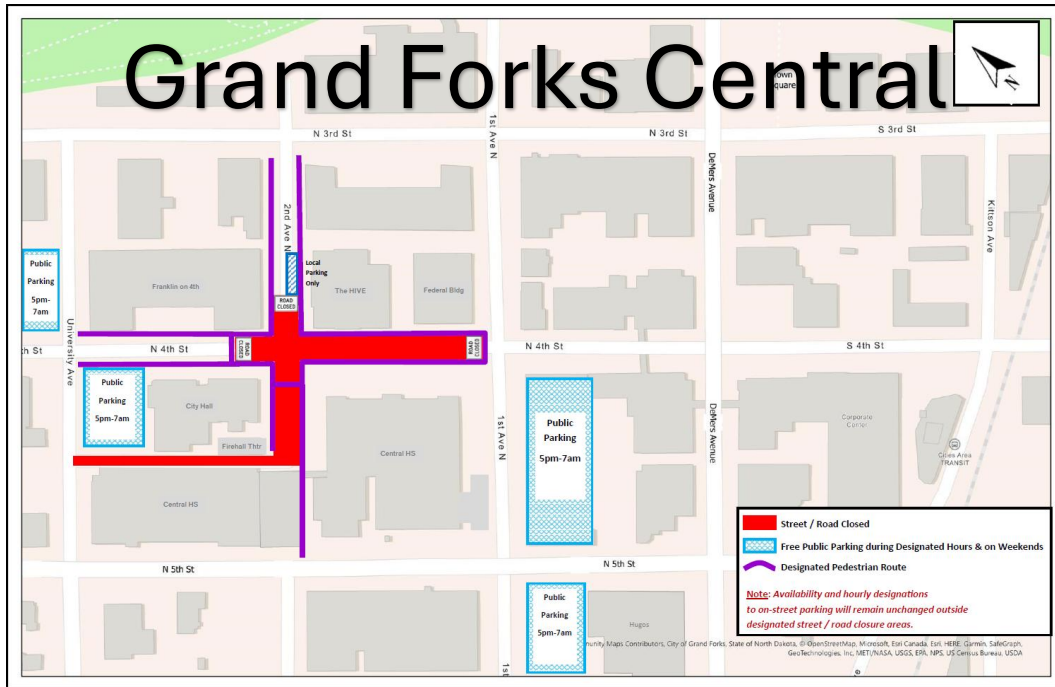
Grand Forks Central High School, Grand Forks:

The road construction project on N. 4th Street in front of the Central will continue into the fall, limiting options for student pick up and drop off by parents/guardians and buses.

Because of this, there will be **no vehicular access** to N. 4th Street between 1st Avenue North and 2nd Avenue North during reconstruction, **this includes the entire block in front of our main building**. No cars or buses will be able to drop students off at our main entrance - Door #1 - on N. 4th Street during this project.

AFTER SCHOOL PICK UP - This will be our most challenging time and issue during this project due to buses and parents arriving all at the same time. All three buses will be picking up at Door 14 (gym door), limiting space for parents to pick up there.

- Due to limited options for parent pick up, the suggestion is to designate a meeting spot to pick up your student(s) that is not at a curb around our building and have them walk to you. Some options that work and are nearby include:
 - N. 6th Street - parallel parking
 - 2nd Avenue North - west of GFC - parallel and diagonal parking
 - N. 3rd Street - parallel and diagonal parking
- **We encourage you, if possible, to plan to pick up your student at 3:05 (1:30pm on early release days) or later. Buses and cars have cleared out by this time and Door 14 (gym door) on N. 5th Street would be a good option.**



Lewis and Clark Elementary:

Look for the new entrance to Lewis and Clark! Note that the main entrance is now within the parking lot on 4th St on the North side of the school. This will hopefully have students away from the busy 13th Avenue South area!

Schroeder Middle School:

The entrance is changed in order to have a safer entryway, so rather than entering at the 32nd Ave. entrance, the main entrance will be within the parking lot.

Career Impact Academy:

This new facility, for high school career exploration classes, will be operating this year and is located at 4201 Career Dr., right off of Gateway Drive. While construction is complete there, this will be traffic that had not existed before, so please be on the lookout for students entering and leaving this area.

Visit our Facebook page, check school websites and follow your city on social media for up-to-date information on closures, changes and other challenges that may affect your back-to-school travel. Have a great school year!