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**At a Glance: The Katherine Kilbourne Burgum Center for Creativity**

The Katherine Kilbourne Burgum Center for Creativity (KKBC4C@PAM) is an innovative collaboration between Plains Art Museum, Fargo Public Schools, other area school districts, and community artists. Aimed at students and adults, the Center for Creativity will be a dynamic studio and exhibition space for learning, discussion, and display of creative work.

- The Center for Creativity will offer studio classes to K-12 students, other youth, adult and after-school groups, and visiting artist residencies.
- Fargo Public Schools has been a collaborator on the Center for Creativity, which will replace the district's Creative Arts Studio at Clara Barton Elementary. The district will be the cornerstone client at the Center, sending at least 5,000 K-5 students each year for gallery and studio learning at the Museum and Center.
- The Center will be housed in the buildings to the west of the Museum and encompass a 27,000 square foot rehabilitated space. A skyway will join the Museum to the Center for Creativity. T. L. Stroh Architects will be overseeing the renovation.
- During its inaugural year, the Center for Creativity will provide instruction to over 5,000 Fargo Public School students, focusing on grades K-5. After its first year open, participation will rise to 12,000 annually, including students from other area school districts.
- Plains Art Museum will be a national leader in joining forces with an entire school district to offer comprehensive arts education and 21<sup>st</sup>-century skill building.

**What: The Center for Creativity will include:**

- A large ceramics studio with 13 pottery wheels
- Two clay hand-building studios
- A studio for painting and drawing
- A sculpture studio
- Glazing rooms, storage, and kiln rooms
- Gallery space for student art
- A project space for a wide variety of exhibitions and art activities
- A "digital hub" for photography, video, and other digital media

**Why:**

- To meet the needs for state-of-the-art facilities and studio instruction for students from Fargo Public Schools and other school districts, as well as the need for evening and weekend learning.
- To strengthen learning by linking creative studio work to gallery-based learning in the Museum.
- To provide teaching, exhibition, and studio opportunities to community artists.
- To provide a cornerstone for the City of Fargo's evolution as a creative city. The development of a more creative community will provide crucial training in skills relevant to a 21<sup>st</sup>-century economy, giving the F-M area a critical competitive economic edge.