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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Now that we have had 5 traditional Snow Days we will transition to Remote Learning Days when we have inclement weather the remainder of the school year. These days are school days that are done at home on a day that would otherwise have traditionally been a Snow Day. This strategy will enable us to avoid excessive snow days and not have to extend the length of the day or attend past June 18, 2023. It also helps avoid interruptions to learning.

We made some adjustments based on feedback received from prior experiences with Remote Learning to better meet the needs of our community. We know it will not be perfect. We trust that you will support our efforts and work together to make this as successful as possible. If you haven't already, you will be receiving the general outline of what a Remote Learning Day will look like at each grade span from your child's school. This outline will include schedule, attendance expectations, instructional format, food options and access to support. If you have no internet service at home, or a very unreliable connection please contact your child's school to identify possible alternatives.

We appreciate the commitment, support and structure you provide your children to make this possible. The home school partnership is a key to student success. Please contact us if you have questions. We can be reached by phone, email or in-person meetings.

Sincerely,

Deb Alden Matt Gilbert