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Dear Tuxedo Parents and Caregivers,

Each year, the Tuxedo Union Free School District incorporates 4 emergency closing days into its Board-approved annual academic calendar. Schools in New York State are required to be in session a minimum of 180 days; 900 hours for grades K-6 and 990 hours for grades 7-12.

Historically, once a school district exhausts its emergency closing days, the necessary instructional days were made up by taking back previously scheduled vacation days. During the 2020-21 school year, the New York State Education Department (NYSED) implemented a Remote Snow Day policy, which gave districts the option of pivoting to remote instruction on what would otherwise be a day of school closure due to a snow or other non-weather emergency.

As of today, the TUFSD currently has one emergency closing day remaining for the 2023-24 school year. We have taken steps to develop a Remote Snow Day instructional plan that will be executed once the last allotted emergency closing day is used.

On remote learning days, students will remain at home and will be expected to complete academic assignments. TUFSD participates in a 1:1 technology initiative that provides every K-12 student with a digital device for remote instruction.

We appreciate your support and ask that you remind your child to keep devices charged and nearby when inclement weather is forecast.

Thank you for your continued partnership as we work to provide our Tuxedo students with the best learning experience in a safe environment.

Sincerely,

Jeff White

Superintendent of Schools