

# ***Van Buren Elementary School & Middle School***

## **Alternative Learning Day Information**

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We would like to provide additional information regarding the structure and expectations for our students during the district “Alternative Learning Days.” These days are considered instructional days and students are expected to participate and complete online learning assignments and requirements as communicated by their teachers.

Schoology will continue to be our source of communication for staff, students, and parents. For the district, these days are intended to provide a flexible learning environment for students, while staff has the ability to participate in professional development, required training, development of district initiatives, as well as staff collaboration and team-building opportunities.

Instructionally, the focus and approach for grades K-8 will be as follows:

- On Monday, teachers will post a choice board for students to complete. Students will need to choose *at least two activities* to complete. We understand that each student and family has different needs. Your child is more than welcome to complete more than two activities.
- In an effort to provide a focused approach to learning for the day, each month will have a different content area of focus. During the month of September, we will be focusing on literature. The activity choices have been designed to appeal to multiple different ways of learning and incorporate real-world connections.
- Teachers will be reviewing the work completed during class time in the days following the Alternative Learning Day.