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Flexible Instruction Day (FID) Information

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Dear WASD Families:

There has been a change regarding inclement weather days. The Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) approved the use of Flexible Instructional Days (FID) as an alternate form of instruction in place of a day that was formerly a school closure due to inclement weather or emergency.

FID days will be official school days and attendance will be taken. Students will follow their remote learning schedule. Wilmington Area School District has been approved to use up to a maximum of five (5) FID for the 2021/2022 school year.

This year, on what might have formerly been an inclement weather or emergency school closure, we may exercise the option of a remote instructional day instead of using a snow day in the district calendar. Wilmington Area School District may choose to use a FID instead of cancelling school for inclement weather or other emergency situation.

Notification:

The district will issue a notification that a FID will be used via text and phone message as well as posting on the WASD website following the same timeframe that school cancellations are typically announced. When inclement weather is anticipated, building principals will inform staff and students that they should prepare for a possible FID. Families will be given as much advance notification of a FID as is possible.

NOTE:

It is possible that a snow day may not be deemed as a FID day based upon the severity of the weather situation (for example, the potential for power outages or loss of internet). Please listen carefully to the message from the District regarding a school closure.

On a district FID day, all schools and district offices will be closed. Teachers will not be teaching from schools/classrooms. All staff will be available via email.

Attendance:

Students must log on to Google Meets in order to be marked as present.

Students completing work via hard copy must submit all work on the next in-person school day in order to be marked Present on the FID.

How will students find the learning activities and assignments for the FID?

Students will complete all learning and assignments provided by the teacher at home on the inclement day as they did during past full-remote learning. All assignments will be posted on Google Classroom.

Note:

Teachers will instruct classes as scheduled through Google Meets. Students are expected to attend all classes as scheduled. Similarly, specialists will provide remote learning assistance opportunities on FID days. Failure to participate in all classes will result in a half day/full day absence.

Individual teachers/grade levels will communicate with students and parents if the instructional format will be different than how students were instructed during remote learning.

What if a student does not have access to their district device or internet on a FID?

Students should take their Chromebook home every night.

If a household does not have Internet access, please contact the student's building principal or the Technology Department now.

Parents and/or students should make teachers aware of a need for a hard copy of the assignment and/or store materials on their device for offline use.

What if a student scheduled a pre-approved absence?

The student would be expected to make up the learning activities and assignments just as if it were any other absence from school.

Will there still be make-up dates built into the district calendar?

Make-up dates will continue to be built into the district calendar in the event that additional days are needed beyond the 5 Flexible Instruction Days.