



To: Parents and Southwest R-5 Employees

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Regarding: Update on Potential Inclement Weather for Wednesday, February 2, 2022

Date: February 1, 2022

As always, weather predictions for the Southwest R-V School District are going to be difficult concerning school on Wednesday, February 2, 2022.

Over the weekend, it looked as though it was going to be clear when deciding about having school on Wednesday. After the National Weather Service Superintendent Meeting today at noon, it is not clear at all. The jet stream has split, and the first wave of inclement weather is predicted by the National Weather Service to miss all of the southern part of SW Missouri in the morning. If there is a small amount of precipitation, the roads are supposed to be too warm for anything to stick. This is only supposed to happen for a short amount of time and the remainder of the day is clear. The second front is what is so large that it is being predicted to hit starting at 6:00 pm on Wednesday evening. This system is the one which will cause the district the largest travel problems related to having school on Thursday and Friday.

With all of that said, I will be up in the morning prior to 4:00 am to assess the weather and then be at another National Weather Service Superintendent Meeting at 4:15 am. I will make the best decision I can for the district keeping the safety of the students and staff primarily. It is always my goal to decide by 5:30 am. If you have not heard anything by 6:00 am, we will be in session for Wednesday, February 2, 2022.

I wish I had a better idea of what is going to happen with the weather, because I would much rather sleep than be up prior to 4:00 am. trying to decide on having or cancelling school.