



# VIROQUA AREA SCHOOLS

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## School Day Make-up Plan

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Dear Viroqua Families,

We would like to thank our community for being flexible and understanding about the adjustments that we have had to make in our school schedule in response to the harsh winter weather. We will always make decisions in favor of our students' safety, but we do know that each change in the schedule can be a hardship for families. We take our responsibilities very seriously and appreciate your trust in our judgement on these occasions.

We have experienced more than the typical number of school closing days already this year. Annually we include over three days' worth of minutes above the WI Department of Public Instruction (DPI) requirements. When we have a year like this, we naturally want to make up our instructional minutes with students so that they are getting the education that our teachers have planned; but also, we know that we need to make up minutes to remain compliant with (DPI). As of today, adding the instructional time listed below will ensure that we are meeting the DPI instructional minutes requirement for this school year.

**Our plan for make-up time includes these changes:**

**Thursday, February 21 is a school day.** Families will need to plan for school on Feb. 21 (formally a teacher professional development day without students).

**Friday, March 29 is a school day.** This day had been designated as a potential make-up day.

**June 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> will be full school days.** June 5<sup>th</sup> is an additional day added to the schedule.

Our winter season is not over yet. As we encounter any further school closing days, we will have to evaluate the best way to recovery those days. This may include adding more school days in June or adding minutes to the day. A separate decision will be made if and when that become necessary.

Thank you for your support of our students and our schools,