



WOODFORD COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Woodford Families

We are pleased to announce that Woodford County Schools has been granted state permission to offer "Non-Traditional Instruction" (NTI) days during the 2015-2016 school year. This plan will allow meaningful learning to take place, when conditions prevent schools from being in session. An NTI day will count as an instructional day, and if approved by KDE (Kentucky Department of Education) will not have to be made up at the end of the school year.

WHAT IS NON-TRADITIONAL INSTRUCTION?

A non-traditional instructional day is a district declared day when learning and instruction will continue, yet students will not report to school. Learning will take place utilizing technology or conventional paper packets focusing on skills enhancement, remediation and enrichment. All materials will be provided by your child's teacher(s) and students are expected to return completed assignments to their teacher upon their return to school. Please note, not every school cancellation day will be an NTI Day. The message from Mr. Hawkins will clearly indicate what type of cancellation day it will be.

HOW WILL INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS BE PROVIDED?

Students with internet access will be able to complete work at home or another location, using educational programs that are familiar to your child. If your child does not have internet access, a paper copy of assignments will be provided in advance of an NTI day. Other information regarding assignments can be found on teacher websites, newsletters and e-communications.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN ON AN NTI DAY?

1. When the decision is made to have an NTI Day, a Send Word Now (formerly One Call) will be sent out by Mr. Hawkins notifying families.
2. Teachers will be available to answer questions and help students between 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 4 p.m.-7 p.m.
3. Teachers will be available via email and will respond to both student and parent questions during the above hours. If email is not a possibility, please contact your child's school to set up a means of communication.
4. Completed work needs to be returned to school the first day back from NTI day.

We are excited about this opportunity to provide learning when conditions in the past would have prevented learning from taking place. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Scott Hawkins, Superintendent