

Sunflower County Consolidated School District

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The State Board of Education (SBE) and Attorney General have given districts guidance in regards to making up days missed due to inclement weather this spring. The SBE has given two options for districts to use following guidance from the Attorney General:

Option 1: (In accordance to MS Code Ann. 37-13-64) If districts have given authority to the Superintendent via district Board Policy, and other guidance documents, to close school in extreme weather conditions, the days shall be forgiven.

Option 2: If that authority has not been granted to the Superintendent, districts must make up missed days. After making up 4 full days, districts may make up each day on a day-for-day basis or add a minimum of 60 minutes of instruction to each day in order to make up days missed.

With each option, the district must provide documentation and submit proof for either option in order for a waiver to be granted.

Fortunately, the SCCSD does have a board policy and job description that gives the Superintendent the authority to close school due to inclement weather. Therefore, we WILL NOT have to make up the four (4) days missed due to the weather this year and the 2014-2015 school calendar will be followed accordingly. That means, the Good Friday Holiday WILL be implemented and school will end on May 27, 2015 for students and on May 28, 2015 for teachers and staff.

Please note that our district will be submitting the required documentation to the Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) to receive the waiver for Option 1 and await State Board of Education final approval.

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