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Calendar Update for Families

1 message

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Tue, Dec 8, 2020 at 5:01 PM

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To: dholmes@palisadessd.org

Dear Palisades Families,

Last night during the School Board meeting, the District Calendar 2020-21 was updated to convert the three instructional days following the winter break (January 4-6, 2021) from in-person days to full remote (virtual) days.

This approach is identical to the one taken following the Thanksgiving break. In that case, I assumed Thanksgiving Day was an exposure date and kept students out of the buildings for 5 days (1 holiday, 2 weekend, 2 full remote) following that day to allow for symptoms to emerge. If symptoms emerged, then those students remained home under a doctor's care.

Using New Year's Day as the last exposure date of the winter break, students will remain home on the weekend (2 days) and 3 fully remote instructional days (January 4-6, 2021). All students learning in person will return to the buildings on Thursday, January 7th.

I do understand that challenge that additional fully remote (virtual) instructional days present for those that have selected in person instruction; however, these additional full remote days are an effort to further mitigate the spread of COVID.

The updated winter break schedule is as follows:

December 21st - Virtual Day for All Students

December 22nd - Virtual Day for All Students

December 23rd - Virtual Half Day for All Students

December 24th to January 1st - Holiday Break for All Students

January 4th - Virtual Day for All Students (*)

January 5th - Virtual Day for All Students (*)

January 6th - Virtual Day for All Students (*)

January 7th - Face to Face Student Return to School for Instruction

(*) Newly added Virtual Days for ALL Students. The High School will release additional information regarding the schedule for Upper Bucks County Technical School students in the near future.

Thank you for your continued support of our staff and students.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bridget O'Connell". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dr. Bridget O'Connell

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