

AMI Days vs. Snow Days

In the event that the school district has to cancel school due to inclement weather, we may have either an AMI (Alternative Methods of Instruction) Day or a traditional snow day. This will be determined by the superintendent and communicated at the district and building level. Please see below for information regarding both:

- **AMI Day:** DESE has allowed school districts to count up to 36 hours of instruction through Alternative Methods of Instruction (AMI) methods.
- Since we have a 6.5 hour instructional day, this allows our school district to have up to 5 AMI days in a school year.
- **Snow Day:** Snow days will be called when the District is unable to prepare for an AMI day ahead of time due to the timing or lack of notice of inclement weather.
- **AMI Day:** AMI virtual learning days will be called when the snow day is anticipated, and there is advanced warning for staff to send home the appropriate technology and/or instructional materials with students.
- **Snow Day:** Students will not participate in classes on snow days. These days will function as they have in the past and no school activities will take place.
- **AMI Day:** AMI virtual learning days will count as a student learning day on the school calendar. Students will follow their schedule and attend classes virtually that day. Student attendance will be based on completion of the work and pro-rated by the number of assignments completed.
- **Snow Day:** Our school district has 6 snow days added to the calendar at the end of the school year. Those days will be used if a traditional snow day is called due to lack of prep time for an AMI day or if all AMI days have been used. If any/all of those snow days are unused, they will be removed from the calendar at the end of the year.
- **AMI Day:** Regardless if the student is in-person, virtual or All-Access, the student will access their AMI virtual learning day through Zoom and content will be shared by their teacher on Google Classroom. This may also include traditional independent work that the teacher was able to assign ahead of time.
- **Snow Day:** In the event that either an AMI Day or traditional snow day is called by the District, parents and community members will be notified by all District communication outlets such as phone call, email, websites, social media, mobile app and news outlets.
- **SCW teachers** should communicate with their students and parents specific information on how students can access their Google Classroom, their content, and expectations for an AMI day.

