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South Fork Families and Staff,

This challenging school year has seen us adjust many things in the field of education. We have continually tried to provide the best education in the safest manner that South Fork has to offer. The challenges the pandemic have thrown our way have helped us learn and grow as a school. We are finding new and innovative ways to educate the future.

This new format in education allows us to expand our learning opportunities. One way we plan to utilize these new skills in education is to provide remote instruction when the district is closed due to inclement weather.

In the past, when the school closed due to inclement weather, students and staff had to make that day up at the end of the school year. This new format will allow us to continue in the flow we have established and not move that day to the end of the school year. Students will be responsible for attending classes on those days. Attendance and grades will be recorded. This will be an ordinary school day, just done remotely.

As with any new process, there is a trial period to make sure it is effective. Students are not the only ones who will be doing school remotely on that day; staff will be doing so as well. This will be the first time all staff members will be teaching remotely from home. After the first school closure day due to inclement weather, the district will evaluate the process to ensure all the students' needs are being met. If we cannot provide a quality education in this manner, we will move back to regular school closure days, and those days will be made up at the end of the school year.

As always, we thank you for your cooperation. It is a team effort from the school, community, and families that help develop the future. If you have any questions about this plan, please contact the district office at 217-237-4333.

Respectfully,

Chris Clark
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