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Dear Parents and faculty,

The weather this winter has been challenging for everyone; to date, five (5) snow days have been accumulated. The five (5) days will need to be made up in order to meet 180 school days.

The process of evaluating options to make up snow days began in early February. SAU Administration worked closely with our four unions to develop options and obtain consensus. The New Boston and Goffstown School Boards have been given regular status updates. On April 3, 2017 the Goffstown School Board voted to extend the school day to make up three (3) of the five (5) missed days. On April 5, 2017 the New Boston School Board voted to extend the school day to make up three (3) of the five (5) missed days. Making up three days still means that two days will need to be added to the end of the 2016-2017 school year.

What does this really mean?

- The last day of school (1/2 day) is now Tuesday, June 20, 2017
- Beginning, Monday May 1, 2017 and continuing through the last day of school, 30 minutes will be added to the school day -15 minutes at the beginning and 15 minutes at the end
- Any additional closures due to weather or other unforeseen events may extend the school year further

Other important dates to note:

- Mountain View Middle School Eighth Grade Promotion – Wednesday, June 14, 2017
- Goffstown High School Graduation – Thursday, June 15, 2017
- New Boston Grade 6 Promotion – Friday, June 16, 2017

Your child's Principal will be communicating more building-specific details shortly.

I acknowledge that changing the length of the school day may create challenges for many in our educational community. Your flexibility and commitment to our students as we continue to focus our efforts on advancing student learning is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,


Brian Balke
Superintendent of Schools

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