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Dear Parents and Students,

As you are well aware, the weather has created six school cancellation days over the past few weeks. Although we do not have to meet a certain number of attendance days under state law, we are required to meet a mandated minimum number of hours of instruction. Like most school districts in the state, these cancellations have put the Rib Lake School District under this legal requirement of making up time to fulfill our hours of instruction.

At their regular monthly meeting last night, the School Board voted to adopt the plan below to meet the hours of instruction requirement and to convey to all stakeholders the plan, should further cancellations occur this school year. While there were many factors to consider when looking at this issue, the decisions were made with consideration of bus pickup and drop off times, available dates for making up the time, and the distinct possibility of another cancellation due to the amount of winter remaining. In the end, the administrative team felt it was best to use multiple methods to make up the time to allow options for future cancellation if needed.

The changes implemented to make up the student contact time are:

- 1) The district will add minutes to the end of the school day starting Monday, February 25, 2019. This change will result in the following full day release times for the remainder of school year.

Elementary Grades PK-2	3:12 pm
Elementary Grades 3-5	3:15 pm
Middle School	3:25 pm
High School	3:25 pm
- 2) The no student attendance day due to staff development on Friday, March 1, 2019 will be changed to a full day of school for students. We will run the full day schedule at all buildings. The early release for students on Thursday, February 28 will stand as is due to parent-teacher conferences from 1:00 pm until 6:00 pm on this date.
- 3) The early release for students due to record keeping for staff at the end of 3rd quarter on Friday, March 29, 2019 has been changed to result in a full day for students. In the event of further cancellations, the district will be required to make up the student contact time. Hopefully, we are done with the severe weather conditions, but if a cancellation does occur, the following dates will be used:

Next Cancellation	Monday, April 22, 2019
All Remaining Cancellations	Monday, June 3, 2019 with any additional days added to this week

The number of cancellations the district has faced this year is abnormally large. We realize that there is no perfect plan to fit everyone's needs and that these changes may cause some inconveniences for families with plans. If these changes are an issue, you are encouraged to call the appropriate school office to work with the building principal.

Thank you for your support of these changes to meet state requirements and the Rib Lake School District.

Sincerely,

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