

Dear Trigg County School Families:

In response to the large number of “snow days” in recent years, I am excited to share with you that Trigg County Public Schools is exploring the opportunity to apply for “Non-Traditional Instruction” (NTI) days for the upcoming 2016-2017 school year. If approved by the Kentucky Department of Education, this plan will allow ALL students to be engaged in meaningful learning experiences when school is closed for unforeseen circumstances (i.e. snow days).

WHAT IS NON-TRADITIONAL INSTRUCTION?

Non-Traditional Instruction simply allows for the continuation of learning when school cannot be in session. Students will be engaged in skill reinforcement, content enrichment, or remediation through electronic and conventional paper lessons. The ultimate result is less loss of instructional time and an increased ability to learn new content when school is back in session. Additionally if students complete their assigned lessons, up to ten (10) days will count as instructional days; meaning less make-up days at the end of the school year.

HOW WILL NON-TRADITIONAL DAYS WORK?

1. Teachers will create up to ten (10) days of content rich coursework that will be assigned to students electronically or for students without internet access through packet form.
2. Superintendent Hamby will announce the cancellation of school and the implementation of a Non-Traditional Instruction (NTI) day via mass calling system, radio, television and through electronic medium.
3. Students with Internet access will be able to complete and submit work electronically from home or another location using educational programs they are already familiar with; students without Internet access will complete packet lessons and turn them in when school is back in session.
4. Teachers will be required to maintain a minimum of an online presence from the hours of 8:00 am - 11:00 am and from 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm, so that students and parents can request assistance via telephone or through the internet.
5. All students will work on their lessons from home and turn them in once school returns to session.
6. If enough students complete their lessons and turn them in within two (2) days of the Non-Traditional Instruction (NTI) day this day will be counted as an instructional day and will not have to be made up.

WHAT DO FAMILIES NEED TO DO NOW?

1. Please log on to www.trigg.kyschools.us and complete the parent survey titled: Parent Survey Non-Traditional Instruction Days.
2. If you have questions or concerns please contact me at james.mangels@trigg.kyschools.us or 270-522-6075.

Sincerely,

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