



**NEWMARK**

Education

Winter 2020/2021

Dear Newmark Parents,

I want to take this opportunity to review our **Snow Day** procedures. Hopefully the following information will be helpful and clarify any questions you may have. These **new** procedures are in place for inclement weather or any other unforeseen circumstances that may close school on a regularly scheduled day. Newmark has three (3) built in snow days on our calendar.

This year the New Jersey Department of Education is allowing schools to utilize remote learning days in place of traditional Snow Day(s) so instruction is not missed. If for some reason we are NOT able to be in school, we will have a remote learning day(s) and our teachers will be providing LIVE instruction to students based on our regular schedule.

**In the event, we have snow days during the school year we have made the decision to allow at least ONE snow day of the season to count as a no school snow day.** We did this so our students could experience the joy of playing in the snow and being children. The other days will be remote learning days. Please ensure you have discussed your emergency plans with your family and have developed a remote learning routine at home.

The procedures of notification are as follows:

- Parents will be notified by telephone via our automated SchoolMessenger Alert system of any school closing announcements and whether it will be the initial NO SCHOOL snow day or a Remote Learning Snow Day. At times the SchoolMessenger Alert system becomes delayed due to high volume. Please check the following resources below as well:
  - ✓ Newmark school website at [www.newmarkeducation.com](http://www.newmarkeducation.com) and Facebook page
  - ✓ School closing announcements will also be announced on New Jersey 101.5 FM radio station and News 12 New Jersey television station.
  - ✓ Parents can call the school and there will be a message on our answering machine.
- **Delayed Opening:** 60-90 minutes for Newmark K-8 and High School (may vary based on conditions and will be limited due to the remote learning option)
- **Early Dismissal:** 12:20 PM for High School / 12:45 PM for K-8 School
- **Fridays:** These days will continue as Remote Learning Days for all students.

We realize some of your school districts are in full time remote learning so parents will need to work with the bus company to determine the weather in your area. In the event we are open and transportation is not provided, you are welcome to bring your child to school as long as you can provide transportation both to and from school.

If you have any questions regarding the information provided, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Dr. Regina M. Peter  
Executive Director