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**SUBJECT:** CENTER GROVE EXTENDS SCHOOL DAY TO MAKE UP SNOW DAYS

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GREENWOOD, IN (February 21, 2014)—Center Grove schools will take advantage of a new option provided by the Indiana Department of Education to make up lost student instructional time without adding days to the school calendar. Thursday night, the Center Grove Community School Corporation (CGCSC) Board of School Trustees voted to approve a resolution that extends the school day to make up three remaining snow days.

CGCSC Superintendent Rich Arkanoff made the recommendation to the board based in part on a survey of parents and staff which showed overwhelming support for the extended school days. The new schedule will extend the school day by 20 minutes beginning on Monday, March 3 and continuing through the last day of school on Friday, May 30th.

"We appreciate the Department of Education's flexibility during this extraordinary winter," said Arkanoff. "We feel this schedule benefits our students by adding the instructional time right away. This option will also allow us to avoid rescheduling our high school commencement ceremony." Center Grove had previously announced plans to add the missed days to the end of the school year, as advertised on the school calendar.

Center Grove has had to cancel seven days of school this year, two of which were waived by the Department of Education. Two snow days were built into the school calendar, leaving three days to be made up elsewhere.

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