



Greetings Academies Families,

This school year we are trying something new and are offering 5 E-Learning days. Our goal is to minimize the number of times we need to re-work the calendar and allow for the scheduled school breaks to happen this spring as planned. We also hope this will help your family when you have made plans for those breaks, so that your schedules will not need to be altered.

**This letter is to inform you of how we are offering E-Learning days at The Academies.** Please hold on to this letter and the file we have sent home with your child so that you can reference this when OR if an E-Learning day occurs.

Once the decision has been made for school to be closed due to weather conditions, **you will get an alert through the Remind App.** This alert will include a reminder about it being an E-Learning day.

During the E-Learning day, your child will have contact with our staff following the schedule on the inside cover of their E-Learning day folder. Your child's teacher has been practicing with them here in school so they are prepared to participate on the days they need to be home. Staff will be connecting with your child through a zoom link that has been emailed to them OR in the way that has been pre-arranged with you. If you do not want your child to meet through zoom, please call your child's teacher ahead of time to make those arrangements. \_\_\_\_\_

While your child is connecting with staff, they will be reviewing the previous day's work, checking in on their mental health, or discussing the 3 required activities on their "Choice Board". **Your child's "Choice Board" can be found in their E-Learning day folder or on the Freshwater Website.**  
[www.fed.k12.mn.us](http://www.fed.k12.mn.us)

**Your child will be graded on these days!** Their participation during the staff contact times will be 50% of their grade. We ask that they bring some sort of "proof of completion" for the 3 Choice Board activities they choose the next day that they are in school. Proof of completion can be a picture on their phone of a completed activity or a note from you stating which activities they finished. The items on their choice boards were specifically selected to give them some academic, living skills, and physical activity on their E-Learning day at home. They are asked to complete any of the 3 activities they want, cross them off, and save the other activities for any other E-Learning days that we may have.

I hope this letter clearly explains our plans for E-Learning days. If you have more questions please call your child's teacher at the number listed above.

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