Mississinewa Parents and Guardians,

As we enter the winter months here in Indiana, it is important that we all stay prepared for the possibility of inclement weather. This may lead to school delays or, in some cases, the need for ELearning days. As always, we want to ensure that both students and families are informed and ready for any changes in the schedule.

In the past, our ELearning days at Mississinewa have been asynchronous (not live), meaning students completed work independently from home. However, the Indiana Department of Education allows schools to use no more than three asynchronous days per school year unless a waiver is granted.

This year, we have prepared our staff and students to implement synchronous (live) ELearning days, where students will join live Google Meets at scheduled times. We have already scheduled two asynchronous days for the 2024-2025 school year, leaving just one asynchronous day remaining. This final asynchronous day will only be used in extreme circumstances when synchronous ELearning is not feasible.

For more information, including schedules and tips for a successful synchronous ELearning experience, please click the links below:

- Elementary Synchronous/Live ELearning Guidance and Schedule
  - o bit.ly/SYNCELEM
- Secondary Synchronous/Live ELearning Guidance and Schedule
  - o <u>bit.lv/SYNCSECOND</u>

Additionally, you can visit our school website for further details on synchronous ELearning days by clicking on the "Parent Tab" of the school website. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher or building administrator.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We appreciate your support and look forward to working together to ensure our students' continued success during the winter months.

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