Southern Local Schools

The Mission of Southern Local Schools is to Provide an excellent student-centered environment that prepares all students to become active learners and responsible citizens.

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Dear Southern Local Schools Families:

Historically, the state has recognized a set number of calamity days where schools can be closed due to inclement weather or emergencies. Beginning with the 2014-2015 school year, public schools must comply with the minimum hours of instruction instead of a minimum number of school days each year. The state no longer controls calamity days. The plan to make up missed school days is now set by a district's Board of Education as long as it meets the minimum requirement of hours.

Southern Local Schools' student contact hours exceed the minimum number of required hours, but the Board of Education, Administration, and Staff feel it is in the best interest of our students academically to continue to provide the same amount of instructional time. Our Southern Local School plan for making up missed school days is outlined below:

- On the **first 10 (ten) days** that school is closed due to inclement weather or other emergencies, students do not have to report to school. **Students will not make up these days**.

- On day #11 and beyond that school closes due to inclement weather or other emergencies, students may make up these days at the end of the school year.

- Southern Local Schools will communicate by March 27, 2026, if we need to make up any additional hours for state requirements.

The plan has been designed collaboratively by the SLEA, OAPSE 640, and the Board of Education. If you have any questions about our school calendar or make-up day plan, please do not hesitate to contact your building principal.

Sincerely,

Annette Losco, Superintendent
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