



Dear Moline-Coal Valley Families,

As we approach the 2025-2026 winter break and the colder months ahead, I wanted to take a moment to share how our District makes decisions during periods of inclement winter weather. Above all else, our priority is the safety and well-being of our students and staff and we appreciate your partnership and understanding during these situations.

When winter weather occurs, the District has two options available:

**Option 1: Winter Weather Remote Learning Day**

- Students learn from home using our continuous learning plan
- These days **do not need to be made up** at the end of the school year

**Option 2: Emergency Day**

- All school buildings are closed, no remote learning takes place
- These days **must be made up** at the end of the school year

It has long been the practice of the District to keep schools open whenever it is safe to do so, recognizing that families rely on us in many different ways. Each weather-related decision is made carefully, using guidance from weather authorities and local conditions, with student and staff safety guiding every choice.

Generally speaking:

- If there is a **winter weather advisory**, schools will typically remain open.
- If there is a **winter weather warning**, a closure and Remote Learning will likely occur.
- An **Emergency Day** is reserved only for the most extreme and unsafe conditions.

Regardless of the District's decision, we fully respect that families know their children and circumstances best. If you determine that conditions are not safe for your child, please contact your school. Weather-related absences are always considered excused. Additional information can be found on the District website at [www.molineschools.org](http://www.molineschools.org) under *Parents & Families* → *Resources* → *Weather Guidelines*.

Finally, please refer to the second page of this letter for our **Remote Learning Day schedule**. This schedule is designed to be flexible, developmentally appropriate, and supportive of a wide range of family needs. Thank you for your continued partnership and trust as we work together to keep students safe, learning, and supported this winter season.

Warm regards,

Rachel Savage, Superintendent Moline-Coal Valley School District

## Winter Weather Remote Learning Day Structure

Students will have a total of five hours throughout the day for online engagement and independent learning activity completion.

Grades Pre-K-2	Grades 3-5	Grades 6-12
<p>Winter weather remote learning activities will be sent home <u>in advance</u>. Please keep these materials in a safe place at home. Students will complete these activities when a winter weather remote learning day is called.</p> <p>Daily attendance is determined by the completion of work. To be marked "Present" for the day, students must complete their independent learning assignments (paper/packet activities) and return the completed assignments to school on the next in-person school day.</p> <p>Teachers of grades Pre-K-2 will be available during the day to answer questions via school email or Class Dojo.</p> <p>Students with Individualized Learning Plans should also refer back to their daily remote learning plan in the IEP</p>	<p>Please begin the day by checking Class Dojo for updates.</p> <p>All Teachers/Specialists will post daily learning activities via Google Classroom and/or Class Dojo. Teachers in grades 3-5 also have the option to provide and send home paper/packet learning activities in advance.</p> <p>Daily attendance is determined by the completion of work. To be marked "Present" for the day, students must submit their work online via Class Dojo/Google Classroom or return paper/packet activities on the next in-person school day.</p> <p>Teachers will host <u>two optional Google Meet sessions</u> throughout the day. Students will log in to connect with their class, or ask questions about assignments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 9:00-9:30 am</li> <li>● 1:30-2:00 pm</li> </ul>	<p>Each student's <u>2nd period</u> Teacher will send an "Attendance Question" through Google Classroom for students to answer in the morning.</p> <p>Students will have all day to complete their paper or Google Classroom online learning activities and bring any paper-based work back completed to school the next day.</p> <p>There will be <u>two optional opportunities</u> for students to log on to a "Google Meets" with their Teacher to check in and connect or to ask questions regarding the learning activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 9:45-10:15 am</li> <li>● 2:15-2:45 pm</li> </ul>

\*Notifications for any Remote Learning Day or Emergency Day will be sent via Remind, Class Dojo, and through the news media.