



Emergency Instructional Days (FID) Guidelines for Pocono Mountain School District Students/Parents/Guardians

During the 2026-2027 School Year, Pocono Mountain School District will be utilizing Flexible Instructional Days (FID) which may be used in place of a school day that would be canceled because of inclement weather or another emergency. On an FID, students will follow their in-person instructional schedule, complete in each class the daily attendance question, attend all live sessions, and complete all learning activities/assignments provided by their teachers at home.

What's the benefit of an FID?

Implementing a FID will not require additional make-up days when school is canceled. These make-up days could shorten the spring break or extend the school year. FIDs are considered a school day and count toward the number of instructional days/hours required under Section 520.1 of the Public-School Code.

If the District calls for an FID, how will I know?

Students and parents/guardians will be informed of a FID through the District's automated notification system via phone and email (the same way that school closings and delays are currently announced). Notification will be posted on the school district website, www.pmsd.org, social media, and local news/radio stations.

Will every school day that is canceled because of inclement weather be considered an FID?

No, make-up dates will continue to be built into the district calendar. A FID is an option that may be used in place of a school day that would be canceled because of inclement weather or another emergency.

What will be expected of my child during an FID (grades K-12)?

Students who attend Pocono Mountain School District, grades K-12, will have access to instruction on emergency instruction days through synchronous and asynchronous learning activities. Students will have access to all of their classes that are typically scheduled for that day. This will include related arts at the elementary, intermediate, and junior high school levels.

Google Classroom will be utilized for grades K-12. Google Classroom consists of **Gmail, Meet, Chat, Hangouts, Calendar**; Drive for storage; **Docs, Sheets, Slides** for productivity and collaboration.

Please note:

PMSD Cyber students will utilize the learning management system (LMS), Edgenuity, to complete on-line courses as well as credit recovery courses.

How does student attendance work?

Student attendance will be determined by verification in each class completion of the daily attendance question, participation in the live-stream lesson, and completing all FID activities/assignments. Students should not report to their physical building on a FID.