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To: Hartley's Bus Service, KZZJ, Pierce County Tribune, Rugby High School, Ely Elementary, Little Flower School

From: Michael McNeff

Date: 12/7/2016

Re: Storm day make up

Press Release:

Due to a few powerful winter storms, we have used four storm days (11-29, 11-30, 12-6, 12-7), which is more than the last three years combined. The law requires us to average our last five years of storm days together to determine our number of storm days within our calendar. Our five year average for this school year equaled two storm days.

Our school district qualifies for a grace day which can be used without making up time. A district qualifies for a grace day when their school day is at least 30 minutes longer than required. **We will be making up our four storm days on the following dates: March 17th, April 13th, May 26th, and we will use our grace day for the fourth storm day.** The law requires that we exhaust all possibilities for storm day makeup prior to asking for storm day forgiveness. I am concerned that we have used four storm days at this point, but we will always error on the side of safety for students. Please keep in mind that future weather cancellations will further reduce vacation days in the spring and may lead to longer school days.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael McNeff', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Dr. Michael McNeff