



## Melrose-Mindoro School District

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Due to a very unusual winter we have had to start school late, dismiss early, or close for the entire day on 10 different occasions. Due to the Wisconsin Department of Instruction (DPI) legal requirements we need to make up the instruction time lost. Our last day of school is now scheduled to be June 9, 2017.

The concern is we are only beginning the month of March; there is still a lot of winter left. I need to inform you of two decisions that were approved by the school board on February 27, 2017:

1. On March 10, we have a scheduled 2-hour late start. This will now be a full day of school.
2. If we lose only one more instruction day between now and March 23, we will be adding a total of 10 minutes to the school day for the remainder of the school year—5 minutes before the normal schedule and 5 minutes past the normal schedule.
  - a. High school schedule will be 8:10 a.m.-3:20 p.m.
  - b. Elementary and Junior High schedule will be 8:15 a.m.-3:22 p.m.
3. If we lose more than one instruction day we will have to plan to make up that time during the week of June 12.

The rationale to adding minutes to the day was to avoid any conflicts families and staff may already have scheduled on vacation days (March 24, April 14, 17, & 18). We are hoping the remaining winter is mild and allows us to hold school on a regular schedule.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Arzt, Mr. Peterson, or myself.

Proud to be a Mustang!

Mr. DeBerg