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**MEMO TO:** All Buffalo Teachers

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**RE:** Snow Day Follow Up

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This is a follow up to my previous correspondence to you relating to the available snow days.

- The required number of days of student attendance is 180.
- Superintendent's Conference Days (days used for various instructional conferences, etc. on which teachers are in attendance but students are not) count as days of student attendance.
- Regents Exam Days count as days of student attendance.

The attached school calendar reflects the number of actual days of student attendance.

- Week one (1) (September 1st to 5th) had two (2) Superintendent's Conference Days making four (4) days of student attendance for both PreK-8 and 9-12.
- Week twenty-two (22) (January 26th to 30th) 9-12 has four (4) Regents Test Days making five (5) days of student attendance for 9-12.
- The total days of student attendance for weeks 1-22 is ninety-five (95) for both PreK-8 and 9-12.
- Week thirty-four (34) (April 20th to 24th) contains one (1) Superintendent's Conference Day making five (5) days of student attendance for both PreK-8 and 9-12.
- Week thirty-five (35) (April 27th to May 1st) contains one (1) Superintendent's Conference Day making five (5) days of student attendance for both PreK-8 and 9-12.
- Week forty-two (42) (June 15th to 19th) contains four (4) Regents Test Days making four (4) days of student attendance for grades 9-12.
- Week forty-three (43) (June 22nd to 26th) contains three (3) Regents Test Days making four (4) days of student attendance for grade 9-12.

Therefore, there were ninety-five (95) days of student attendance for both PreK-8 and 9-12 in the first semester (weeks 1-22) and ninety-one (91) days of student attendance for both PreK-9 and 9-12 in the second semester (week 23-43) for a scheduled total of 186 days of student attendance.

That is six (6) days over the required one hundred eighty (180) days of student attendance.

There were no teachers or students in attendance on November 18, 19, 20 and 21. That used four (4) of the six (6) snow days. Teachers reported on Monday, November 24, students did not. If this day (November 24) can be considered a Superintendent's Conference Day in place of April 20 and 21, 2015 and/or April 29 and 30, 2015 students would then also report as usual on these days.

The bottom line is that we have used four (4) of the six (6) snow days if November 24 is considered a Superintendent's Conference Day. We have used five (5) days if November 21 is not considered a Superintendent's Conference Day.

If we exceed the number of snow days (fall below the required 180 days of required days of student attendance), under our calendar agreement, Friday, May 22, 2015 (the Friday before Memorial Day) will be a day of teacher and student attendance.

Let us hope that we have seen the end of the school closing snow. I'll keep you updated as we proceed.

PR:su

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