

TO: SPS Students and Families

FROM: Dr. Tad Everett, Superintendent of Schools

DATE: Tuesday, February 4, 2025

SUBJECT: Superintendent's Update:

• Today's edition is all about information pertaining to SPS' E-Learning Days

Though it is hard to believe that it is December already, that doesn't change the fact that winter is upon us. With winter comes wintery weather conditions, and with wintery conditions comes the possibility of cancelling school due to weather. Since this time of the year is here, it is time to revisit the conversation about how we are planning on doing snow days this school year. Instead of cancelling school altogether, we will have students stay home and learn online. We will call these types of days, "E-Learning Days." Today's Superintendent's Update is all about SPS' E-Learning Days, and making sure students and families have all the information they need, in advance, to be successful.

Resources for more information about SPS' E-Learning Plan and how days will be structured

The following two links are resources our administrative team has developed to help students and their families have as much information as possible as we venture into using an e-learning day sometime in the future. As you read through these information resources, there is one important thing to note and that is an e-learning day is just like any other school day. The only difference is that students will "do school" from home on their school Macbook or iPad.

Much of this information is repeated from earlier in the school year, but since we are now closer to when we would actually utilize an e-learning day, I felt it was worth re-introducing. The following link is to my Superintendent's Update from Aug. 14th. It answers two questions that

are asked often: 1) When was the decision made to go to e-learning days, and 2) Why was the decision made to implement e-learning days? Additionally, this August edition of Superintendent's Update contains an internal link to the SPS E-Learning Plan. This link will provide more detailed information about what will happen at each grade level when we eventually have an e-learning day.

• Superintendent's Update_08.14.24_Students.pdf

This attached link is a letter written to SPS' parents about more e-learning information. It is written in a Q&A format to answer the most widely asked parent questions.

• E-Learning Letter to SPS' Parents

What do I do if I still have questions about e-learning?

My staff and I aspire to answer all the questions you have about e-learning. If after reading this information, you still have questions, please do not hesitate to email our Director of Curriculum & Instruction, Mrs. Amy Downs. Her email address is adowns@sps5.org.

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