

From the Superintendent

As I am writing this article, another two inches of fresh snow has landed outside. When Keri and I moved to Wakefield, people said that the weather was a little different. We just didn't know how different until we started driving home on Monday. Hopefully all of you were able to enjoy some of your holiday break with family or have been able to come up with a plan B or C to get together soon.

With snow and school days in mind, I need to let you know that we have officially pushed our last day of school to May 20th for students and May 21st for staff. We have currently used two snow days and may need to cancel school for weather as the year goes on. If we have to cancel again, one of two options will happen. The first is that a scheduled break will become a regular school day. As of right now, we have scheduled breaks in February, March, and April that could become a part of our regular calendar. Note, Good Friday is not one of the days being considered. The thinking behind using these days is that adding days on the end of the year are not always the most productive.

The second option is that we add on days at the end of the school year in May. Currently, we have scheduled to make up any days that we miss due to the weather May 20th-May 26th. We will communicate with you which option or combination will be used as soon as a decision is made. Please keep watching for information on this topic.

I have included the Report to Patrons or Annual Report of Wakefield School for 2009 at the end of this newsletter. In it you will find daily membership, enrollment trends, assessment data, staffing, and finance information. Please contact me if you have any questions regarding the information in the report. My email address is cwaddle@esu1.org or give me a call at school during regular business hours.