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To: Elementary School parents

Re: AMI packets- Alternative methods of Instruction

Date: November 16, 2018

Beginning last school year, Arkansas Act 862 (2017) gave schools across the state the opportunity to make up from 1 to 5 unexpected absences through a district-created Alternate Method of Instruction (AMI) plan. We are very excited to have been given the opportunity to apply and receive approval for FIVE of these AMI days again this year.

Here's how the process works: All teachers created lessons to be completed at home whenever school is closed due to "exceptional or emergency circumstances" (such as inclement weather, a disease outbreak, a major power outage, etc.). These lessons are strictly designed to be extra practice so they can be completed at any time. We are sending five (5) lessons home today, and these lessons may be returned to school as soon as your child finishes them or after an AMI missed day. Only 1 assignment is due for every 1 day missed. If your student wants to complete them ahead of time and send them back, they will not have any work to complete on a snow day. If they complete them ahead of time and we do not have five snow days, they will simply have gotten some extra academic practice. These lessons are not designed to equal the amount of work that a student would normally complete in a school day but rather to give them some additional academic practice.

Please store these packets in a safe place so they will be ready for use should the need arise.

These completed and returned assignments will be counted as regular school days. Students who fail to complete the work cannot be counted as present on AMI days. Should the "exceptional or emergency circumstances" prevent the child from doing the work, they will be given 3 days to complete the work upon their return to school in an effort to allow them to be counted present on these days.

If you have any questions about the AMI process, please feel free to contact us at 453-8860.

Respectfully,

Tracie Luttrell Flippin Elementary Principal