

Windham School District

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School Administrative Unit 95

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

I hope you are all enjoying your February break! I have a few quick reminders for your return next week.

Voting Day in Windham: On Tuesday, March 8th, all schools will be closed for students due to town voting. Students in grades K-8 will be able to vote alongside their parents/guardians during town voting. All voting will take place at Windham High School from 7 am-8 pm. Upon arrival, students will enter the gym and approach the Kid's Vote Table. Volunteers will be there to check them in on the registration list and provide them with a ballot for their school. Students will select one choice on their school-based ballot and then drop their vote in the official ballot box.

Mask Optional on the Bus: Last week, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) released a statement that effective February 25, 2022, the CDC will no longer require masks to be worn on buses or vans operated by public or private school systems, including early care and education/child care programs. Our transportation providers, Durham School Services for Student Services Transportation and Student Transportation of America (STA) have followed CDC guidelines and will no longer require our students to wear masks on the bus. Students will continue to have the option to wear a mask during transit if they choose. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the COVID-19 Resource Center at covid19@windhamsd.org.

Remote Learning Days: In October, the Windham School Board voted in a new Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Windham School Board and the Windham Education Association, NEA-NH for the 2021-22 school year. The MOA clarified the educational requirements, mitigation tactics during the COVID-19 pandemic, and adjustments to the district's learning model during inclement weather or other emergency situations. The district will permit a maximum of 2 snow/weather/emergency days. Any day thereafter, teachers will provide remote learning via Zoom so that no more than 2 days will be added to the school year calendar.

Enjoy the last few days of your break and we look forward to seeing you next week!

Thank you,

Kori Alice Becht Superintendent of Schools