

All students, staff facing more extended school days because of 2 missed

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All Scott County students and teachers will probably have more extended days in classrooms because of the two recent days missed, March 3 and 4, because of yet another ice-and-snow storm.

Classroom times in both Scott Districts 1 and 2 were previously extended one hour per day to make up for previous time off due to bad weather and icy roads. Each district began the new schedule on February 24. District 1 had planned to observe the extended schedule until April 30. District 2 added a few extra days onto the end of its school calendar, so its extended days were planned to end April 11.

To make up one six-hour school day, six days must offer the extended classroom schedule. And if districts miss an extended day, as they did on Monday and Tuesday, that means yet another two days must be added onto their calendars. More extended days seem like the logical answer.

This means that District 1 students will now have extended classroom days through Tuesday, May 20. Adding extended days on the District 2 calendar will mean the longer schedule will remain in effect through May 1.

In District 1, students will be going to classes on May 2 and 5 and on May 6, Primary Election Day. The last day for classes and graduation for the AHS Class of 2014 is on Friday, May 23. Records Day for teachers is May 27.

“I don’t think this is going to be a problem for us. We’ve heard no complaints from our students about the longer days, and they enjoy the snacks and extra attention we’ve provided,” advised District 1 Superintendent Robert Anderson.

In District 2, the last day for students to attend classes is now Friday, June 6. Graduation day for the Class of 2014 is now Friday, June 13.

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Final decisions about extending more school days was to be made by the District 2 board at its regularly-scheduled business meeting on Tuesday night, March 11. District 1's trustees already gave Supt. Anderson permission to extend more days if it became necessary.