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Dear UCESC Learning Community:

I hope this letter finds everyone well at the end of an eventful week.

As another winter storm with snow is possible this weekend, I would like to take this opportunity to update you on the expectations for Commission schools and programs in the event of significant inclement weather.

Since the last of the three snow days included our district calendar were used earlier this week, students and staff should be prepared to transition to a remote learning environment when hazardous weather conditions prevent the safe commute to/from school. Instruction will be provided following single session schedules (8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.). Principals will notify parents, students, and staff of relevant updates via email on the morning of each closing.

While remote learning not optimal, this decision aims to maximize instructional opportunities afforded to students. It also prevents unnecessary disruptions to summer plans potentially caused by the extension of the school year beyond the scheduled last day of Tuesday, June 22, 2021.

On that note, I also inform you that Extended School Year Programs will take place on July 1 – August 12, 2021. All schools and programs will be closed on Monday, July 5, 2021 in observance of the Independence Day holiday. I remain extremely hopeful that ESY Programs will operate traditionally with ALL students returned to classrooms and look forward to sharing information on our progress towards this goal in coming months.

As always, we will continue to provide inclement weather and other important announcements on a timely basis using our emergency notification system and on our district website at www.ucesc.org.

Thank you for your continued support. Stay safe, stay warm and enjoy the weekend.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Kowalski
Acting Superintendent