



VALLEY STREAM SCHOOL DISTRICT 24

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On Friday, May 8, 2020, the Governor issued another Executive Order which focused, in least in part, on remote learning through the end of the academic year. In reading the Executive Order it is our understanding that our academic year will end on June 16, 2020.

There are a number of factors that determined the last day of our academic year. One reason for the adjustment concerns the fact that school was in session during the previously planned spring break. The school calendar also included the Friday before Memorial Day as a day off. Our intention is to follow the guidelines of the Governor, which means that this day should be scheduled as a day of instruction and also be used in our calculation to end the school year.

The last day of school was scheduled as June 26, 2020. Although it may appear that we are shortening the school year, we are not. We had scheduled 182 instructional days for students and 184 days for teachers in this year's school calendar. By ending on June 16, 2020, we will have met the 182-day threshold of instructional days for students and 184-day threshold for teachers in the revised calendar.

This has been an incredibly challenging time for all, and I greatly appreciated all that you have done on behalf of our children. We will continue to work together and together we will get through this.

Stay safe and be well

Dr. Don Sturz
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