

## **In Session with the “Oriole” Superintendent**

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### **“Snow Days” Update and Mid-Winter Break**

The State of Michigan, Department of Education sent out a press release last week clarifying allowable limits for snow days. Each school district across the state is allowed a total of six (6) school days to be counted as snow days or days of no school due to weather or acts beyond the control of school officials.

In Charlotte, we have used a total of four (4) days due to snow, ice and road conditions district wide. At Parkview Elementary, we had to close an additional day, for a total of five (5) due to a power outage on Tuesday, January 13, 2015.

Therefore, we have two (2) days available district wide and one (1) day for Parkview Elementary without requirement for make-up days.

I share all of this information in hopes we do not pass the limits allowable, but, also to recognize we are still subject to winter weather circumstances for the next month to several weeks.

If the district does go over the allowable six (6) days, we will have to extend the school year or look at existing days within the school calendar which are presently no school days that could be considered days we can have school. If necessary, this will be subject to evaluation by administration and approval by the Board of Education.

The school district will observe mid-winter break February 12 - February 16, with school resuming on Tuesday, February 17, 2015. Building and district offices will be closed on Friday, February 13 and Monday, February 16. Please make note of the office closures so you do not try to do business with the school district during these days.

--- Go Orioles / Oriole Pride!