Walnut Ridge Elementary School

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Dear Walnut Ridge Elementary Families:

The Lawrence County School District has an approved Alternative Method of Instruction (AMI) plan to provide our students the opportunity to be engaged in relevant learning when conditions prevent schools from being in session.

What is an alternative method of instruction (AMI) plan?

Act 862 of 2017 allows a public school district to develop a plan for alternative methods of instruction to implement on days when school closes due to exceptional or emergency circumstances. AMI days allow for learning to take place when school is closed for unforeseen circumstances. The goal is to avoid an interruption in the learning process for our students.

If the students engage in the learning experience offered during an AMI day, then the day counts as a regular school day, instead of a make-up day.

How will an AMI day work?

Walnut Ridge Elementary (K-4) students will receive a take home packet with remediation and enrichment activities in Literacy, Math, and Science. The activities are comparable to daily tasks completed in the classroom. Digital AMI Day packets are available under the AMI tab on the school's website. Additional online tools linked to our school webpage include educational websites for enrichment and remediation practices as well as access to books that can be read independently electronically.

In the event of a cancellation, the school will communicate which packet to complete through the Remind notification system. Each completed AMI packet activities is due to the classroom teacher on the next regular day of school. Students will receive extra time to complete work under extenuating circumstances.

Teachers will keep the assignments in the folders and website current. We will monitor and make the necessary adjustments to improve our AMI plan that best meet the needs of our students.

Teachers will be available to answer any questions regarding the assignments through email and the Remind notification system during regular school hours.

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