Subject: Re: School waivers and closures

On Mon, Mar 9, 2020 at 10:31 AM Fewel Teresa <Teresa.Fewel@seattlearch.org> wrote:

Principals,
Many of you have been wondering and asking about what expectations there are for private schools regarding the number of days school need to be in session. First, the State Board of Education and OSPI do not need notification about our school closures should schools close. Second, there are no waivers in place for private schools and the expectation is that private schools will offer 180 days or 1000 hours before June 19, 2020. If a school wants to extend beyond that date, that could be done, but really schools need to continue to do everything they can that is reasonable to offer the days/hours within the school year up to June 19, 2020.
*** However, the State Board is asking legislators to allow them to offer waivers to private schools for hours/days. Nothing is confirmed or put into law currently.
Should approval of waivers for private schools be achieved, OSPI may want a phone call from private schools then, but there is no number set up yet, so until that is established, schools will need to wait.
I will quickly communicate with you as new information and guidelines are established regarding private school waivers and extended school closures.
St. Ambrose pray for us!
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