



**NEW LEXINGTON SCHOOLS**  
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*Casey Coffey, Superintendent*

September 19, 2017

Dear New Lexington Schools' Families:

Beginning with the 2014-15 school year, public schools must comply with minimum hours of instruction instead of a minimum number of school days each year. Historically, the state has recognized a set number of calamity days where school can be closed due to inclement weather or other emergencies. The state no longer controls calamity days. This year, the plan to make-up missed school days can be set by a district's Board of Education as long as it meets the minimum requirement of hours.

New Lexington Schools' student contact hours exceeds the minimum number of required hours, but the Board of Education, Administration, and Staff feel it is in the best interest of our students academically to continue to provide the same amount of instructional time. Therefore, the 2017-18 New Lexington School Calendar, which is available on our district website, has the same number of student contact hours as in the past. Our New Lexington School plan for making up missed school days is outlined here:

^ On the first ten days that school is closed due to inclement weather or other emergencies, students do not have to report to school. Students will not make up these days.

^ On day #11 and day #12 that school closes due to inclement weather or other emergencies, students will make up these days on Friday, May 25, 2018, and Tuesday, May 29, 2018.

^ New Lexington Schools will make-up any additional days by adding on an hour to the school day. The notification of these additional hours will be communicated as inclement weather subsides. It is the expectation of all parties to communicate this information in a timely manner. This plan has been designed collaboratively by the NLEA, AFSCME 2020, and the Board of Education. If you have any questions about our school calendar or make-up day plan, please do not hesitate to contact your building principal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Casey Coffey".

*Casey Coffey*  
*Superintendent*

**MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of the New Lexington School District is to promote the highest level of educational achievement, maximizing all students' potential, while challenging them to become life-long learners and socially responsible citizens.