



October 22, 2017

Dear Parents/Guardians,

In order to recapture precious instructional time lost due to Hurricane Irma, the DeKalb County School District (DCSD) will extend its school day by 20 minutes, Monday through Friday, beginning Monday, Oct. 2, 2017, through the end of the first semester on Wednesday, Dec. 20, 2017.

DCSD schools and offices will also remain open on Election Day (Tuesday, Nov. 7) as the district ensures that students don't miss out on lessons vital to their academic achievement.

The decision to extend the school day was a collaborative effort across all DCSD divisions. In addition, Dr. Green is empowered to make "scheduling changes to the school day because of inclement weather or other emergency conditions."

A primary goal was not to impact Fall Break or Winter Break for both families and employees who may have commitments based on the approved school year calendar. Also, with the unpredictability of North Georgia weather in the winter, the district does not want to use all its inclement weather days before the onset of that season.

Please continue to follow the DCSD website and its accounts on Facebook and Twitter for additional details.