

# Roscoe Central School District

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**John P. Evans**  
**Superintendent of Schools**

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Good Afternoon, Blue Devil Families:

I hope this message finds you all healthy and happy. It is hard to believe that October is almost over and it is time for us to begin watching the forecast for signs of winter weather coming our way. With that in mind, we know that some school districts have decided to take advantage of recent flexibilities in NYSED regulations to end the practice of calling “snow days” and instead will be changing those days into fully remote at-home learning days for all students.

The academic school calendar for the 2020-21 school year has several emergency closing days built in. I want to make you aware that at this time Roscoe will continue to observe “snow days” and “delayed openings” as we have in the past. We believe that the COVID-19 pandemic has unfortunately changed many of the rites of passage for our students, and we know that an occasional “snow day” brings joy to many of our students.

As the school year progresses, if it looks like we may use up all of our emergency closing days, it may become necessary to revisit this decision to meet the NYSED minimum instructional day requirement.

Until then, I hope all of your snow days are filled with sleigh riding, building snowmen and your kids shoveling snow for their parents and neighbors.

We will communicate any snow days or delayed openings to you as we have in the past – through the SchoolReach calling system, our social media, our website and reporting to local radio stations.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

*John P. Evans*  
Superintendent of Schools