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Dear Students and Families of the Philomath School District:

At the January meeting of the Philomath School Board, members approved a proposal to allow school staff with additional preparation and planning for the remainder of the school year. The design of the plan is to provide staff time while, at the same time, minimizing the impact on students and families. The expectations and requirements for our staff members continue to be high and the length of the COVID-19 pandemic has created additional expectations for our staff members.

The key component of the decision turns two Friday's into non-student days. This calendar adjustment means that students will **not have school** on the following days:

- February 11, 2022 (Friday)
- May 13, 2022 (Friday)

While students will miss some instructional time, the amount will not drop below the state requirement for instructional minutes. When also paired with the early release day on Friday, students were already scheduled for an abbreviated school day.

Days are already a part of the current school calendar during the other months in the school year consist of the following. These dates are already a part of the 2021-2022 school calendar.

- March 18, 2022 (Friday)
  - K-8 Assessment Day
  - 9-12 Grading Day (End of Trimester)
- April 14-15, 2022 (Thursday-Friday)
  - K-5 Conference Days
  - 6-8 Conference and Grading Days (End of Quarter)
  - 9-12 Conference Days

We appreciate our Philomath School District staff and appreciate the approval of these days of support. Thanks to the Philomath School Board for approving and endorsing this plan for our staff.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with questions.

Continuing to learn together-

Susan