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CCPS Superintendent Declares Wednesday, January 17, Official Snow Day District to Implement Learning at Home make-up days

JONESBORO – Due to the rare occurrence of snow in the Metro-Atlanta area, Superintendent of Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS), Dr. Morcease J. Beasley, has declared Wednesday, January 17, as an official snow day for the district.

"As a school district, we encourage students to use real-life experiences to supplement their classroom lessons and instruction whenever possible," said Superintendent Beasley. "As a child, I remember growing up in New York and sometimes having two feet of snow – living in the south we rarely get an inch, so I encourage all students, their families and district employees to go out, play and enjoy the snow. This is an outstanding opportunity to just have fun, learn, observe and experience seasonal weather and we will implement the related online learning experiences later," he added.

In light of the snow day, district officials are working to identify and implement "Learning at Home" opportunities which will use both digital and traditional resources to promote continued student growth, as the district makes up days missed due to adverse weather conditions. These dates will be announced once plans have been finalized.

"While we want our students to enjoy the snow day, we also have an obligation to provide them with materials and lessons to ensure they are staying on track for successful matriculation through our school system," said Superintendent Beasley. "Parents/guardians should continue to monitor Infinite Campus and other district platforms as these materials will be shared via our traditional avenues. As we continue to work out the details of these specific days, I encourage everyone to go out and discover the natural wonder that is just outside their doors," he concluded.

We are asking stakeholders to stay off the roads if possible. Also, stakeholders are advised to dress warmly in layers and be aware of the wind chill's effect on exposed body parts as the temperatures are below freezing.