

# Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District

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The Honorable Phil Potvin  
PO Box 30014  
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Dear Representative Potvin:

This letter is being written to you in collaboration with all the Superintendents of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District regarding the makeup of snow days. The extreme number of snow days this year has put the local districts in an unusual predicament where they could be going to school deep into June. We are requesting that the number of *days* requirement be dropped, just keeping the *hours* requirement. You could add the stipulation that all calendar changes must be made prior to April, 2013.

The request is being made for several reasons. Below are just a few:

1. Teachers who have to make up classes for certifications will have difficulty taking courses for their re-certification process.
2. Some academic and athletic camps have already been scheduled.
3. Religious-affiliated camps in our two counties have already been scheduled.
4. County and local fairs
5. Tourism
6. Family vacations

We are requesting that you give our request serious consideration. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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Superintendent – MOISD

Tim Haist, Superintendent  
Big Rapids Public Schools

Lynn Gullekson, Superintendent  
Crossroads Charter Academy

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