

Press Release



Battle Ground Public Schools

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BG Schools, offices closed Friday afternoon due to unpaid furloughs

Battle Ground School District schools, offices and switchboards will be closed Friday afternoon with students and employees sent home early. It is the first of seven part-day unpaid furloughs in the 2011-12 academic year as a result of reductions in state funding.

In negotiating the district's budget for this school year, all employee groups, including secretaries, administrators, principals, maintenance workers, teachers' aides and teachers, agreed that all employees would take a pay cut in the form of shortened school days and the afternoon unpaid furloughs.

The district's other part-day, unpaid furloughs resulting from state funding cuts will be the afternoons of: Oct. 21, Jan. 25, Feb. 8, Feb.29, March 21 and April 18.

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