

Winter Weather Procedures

Summer has come and gone and because the winter of 2009 is rapidly approaching, it is time to start planning for snow. Because of the potential implications of snow and ice, school districts need to prepare for challenges and situations brought on by winter weather. If you are a parent, the following information should help you prepare if inclement weather necessitates changes in the school day.

District #427 School Cancellation Procedures

TIMELINE: If it becomes necessary to cancel classes, we will make every effort to make the decision by 6:00 a.m.

OPTIONS: If it becomes necessary to alter the school day because of winter weather, one of the following options will be used:

1. **Classes Cancelled for the Day** - Generally speaking, when classes are cancelled, all activities for the day/night are cancelled as well. Exceptions can be made regarding high school activities as determined by weather conditions later in the day.
2. **One Hour Late Start** – The start of the school day could be delayed by one hour if improving weather conditions are likely. If this option is used, the school day and bus pickups, etc. will be exactly one hour later than normal.
3. **Early Dismissal** – Although rare, this option would be used if students were already in school and deteriorating weather conditions become imminent before the end of the school day. In this case, individual schools will use the parental contact information contained on the Early Dismissal form as filled out at registration.

NOTIFICATION OF CANCELLATIONS: You may go to the following sources of information to receive cancellation information: Please do not call the Administrative Center or individual school buildings as their phones are needed to make outgoing calls.

1. WLBK 1360 AM
2. WDKB B95 FM
3. WNIU 89.5 FM
4. WIFR Channel 23 Rockford
5. WSQR
6. WGN
7. WREX
8. Daily Chronicle Website (daily-chronicle.com)
9. District 427 Website – (www.syc427.org) Click on the “**Emergency Closing Link**” of the opening page of the District 427 Website for any closing information.