

# QSD INCLEMENT WEATHER PROTOCOLS



## SCHOOL CLOSURE BECAUSE OF WEATHER

Schools may be closed for inclement weather (snow, freezing rain, drifting snow, below zero temperatures, wind chills, etc.) and when it is dangerous to put buses on the road. The District will close when temperatures drop below -15. Listen to local radio stations for school closure information. Radio and television stations will have information no later than 5:30 a.m. The automated phone system, the district website, and Facebook will be used also to notify families.

## INCLEMENT WEATHER INDOOR RECESS

Indoor recess will be initiated when the temperature drops below 17 degrees with wind-chill taken into account. Each school will provide for activities and supervision during the indoor recess time.

## SCHOOL AND BUSES RUN TWO HOURS LATE

On marginal days when it appears the weather will break, schools may start up to two hours later than normal. This allows road crews to catch up, temperatures to rise, and buses to run in daylight. If conditions do not improve, *running late* may be changed to closure. Radio and television stations will have information no later than 5:30 a.m. The automated phone system, the district website, and Facebook will notify families as well.

## EARLY CLOSURE

Because of the possibility of children coming home to locked houses, we will make every effort not to close schools early. However, under emergency conditions (a blizzard approaching, heating failure at school, etc.) we may need to proceed with early closure. Early closure will be announced on local radio stations and school personnel will attempt to notify parents by phone.

## WHEN INCLEMENT WEATHER OCCURS, PARENTS SHOULD:

1. Listen to a local radio or television stations.
2. Dress your children warmly: coats, hats, gloves, boots, and snow pants are strongly recommended
3. Ensure child-care and student drop-off/pick-up arrangements in case of late start or an early dismissal.

## LOCAL RADIO STATION TELEVISION STATIONS

### Radio Stations

KREM 2

KXLY 4

KHQ 6 TV

KAYU Fox 28 TV

### TV Stations

KW3 - 103.9/96.7 FM

KULE - 730AM/92.3 FM

KWIQ - 1020 AM/100.3 FM

KBSN - 1470/99.3 FM

KWLN - 103.3/92.1 FM

Northwest Public Radio 91.5/90.7 FM

