



Dear Parents and Guardians of the Chippewa Falls Area Unified School District:

It's not too early to start talking about Wisconsin weather and its impact on our ability to get students to school safely. We know it is bound to happen. Large snowfalls or extreme cold temperatures may cause us, at some point this year, to consider closing or delaying school for the safety of the students. It's a tough decision because we realize that last-minute changes in the school schedule create inconveniences for families. We will take great care in each situation to use the information available to us to make the best decision we can for our families.

When weather strikes, we have three options for adjusting our days.

Cancellation This means all schools, Head Start, Early Childhood, BB4C programs, after school programs, and public use of buildings are cancelled for the day. The school district buildings are considered "closed."

Two Hour Delay The school day starts two hours later than normally scheduled.

- Busses run behind their normal schedule.
- No breakfast is served.
- School lunch will be served at or near the normally scheduled time.
- BB4C is cancelled for the full day.
- Early Childhood is cancelled for the full day.
- Head Start is cancelled for the full day.
- After school programs and public use of buildings may still occur.

Early Release Students are dismissed prior to the normal end of the school day for all schools, Early Childhood, Head Start, and BB4C programs.

- Busses run ahead of their normal schedule.
- Lunch is at or near the normally scheduled time.
- Afternoon BB4C is cancelled.
- Afternoon Early Childhood is cancelled.
- After school programming and public use of buildings is cancelled.

By school district policy, weather **Cancellation** or **Delay** decisions are made no later than 6:00 am. **Early Release** decisions are made no later than 10:00 am. Because Wisconsin weather

conditions can change quickly, if we need to move from a **Two Hour** delay to a **Cancellation** this decision would be made by 8:00 am.

We plan to communicate any weather-related decisions to you in the following ways:

- Local TV and radio
- District website, district social media (Facebook, Twitter)
- Campus messenger notifications: email and text message
- District mobile app alert

While our Wisconsin weather is unpredictable, we hope strong communication can help us navigate through those blustery days. As always, thank you very much for your partnership and support!

Best,



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Proud Superintendent of the CFAUSD