



DISTRICT PRACTICE 10850

SEVERE WINTER WEATHER OR UNSAFE ROAD CONDITIONS

DISTRICT PRACTICE:

- Schools will be open and regular instruction will continue to the greatest extent possible.
- School bus service will not normally be cancelled because of cold weather.
- Individual bus runs may be cancelled because of dangerous road conditions or extremely cold weather resulting in a bus not starting.
- Cancellation of bus runs will be broadcast on local radio stations, CBC, and on Twitter and through School Messenger.
- Students are not expected to wait for a school bus for more than 10 minutes beyond the scheduled pickup time. If a bus has not arrived by that time, students should return to their homes or to another location which has been pre-arranged by the parents.

If enrollment is significantly reduced or staff are unable to get to school due to extreme weather or unsafe road conditions:

- Schools will remain open.
- Staff will notify their supervisor and report to the nearest school that they can access.
- If there is an extraordinary circumstance related to a school and the school must be closed a notification will be sent to parents using School Messenger and will be broadcast on local radio stations, CBC, and on Twitter and School Messenger.
- The decision to send students to school rests with the parents/guardians.
- The educational program will be adjusted based on the number of students at school and the staff who are able to report to work.

PARENTS ARE REQUESTED TO:

- Check for txt/email from the School District.
- Listen to radio stations for bus and school information.
- Ensure that children are aware of winter weather expectations.
- Give their child clear instructions of an alternative place they are to go if their bus does not arrive within 10 minutes of the expected time.
- If the child is not a bus student and is not attending school, phone the school to report the child's absence.