



WALLINGFORD-SWARTHMORE SCHOOL DISTRICT

EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSING/DELAYED OPENING PLAN



WEATHER-RELATED CLOSINGS

School closing decisions typically occur prior to 5:30 AM utilizing data from Weather Services, PennDot, and the Delaware County Intermediate Unit.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF SCHOOL CLOSINGS AND DELAYED OPENINGS

School closings and delayed openings are announced using the following methods:

Website: Posted on the front page of the school district's website (www.wssd.org)

School Messenger Alerts:

Please make sure your home and daytime contact information is up-to-date in your School Messenger account. All WSSD School Messenger information is located at www.wssd.org/schoolmessenger

Radio: KYW 1060 AM (School Closing #460)

Television: NBC10

2-HOUR DELAYED OPENING

Kindergarten: When there is a 2-hour delayed opening, please follow the modified schedule listed below:

AM Kindergarten Session - 10:45 AM-12:30 PM

Bus will pick up students two hours later than their usual pick up time.

After school, students will return to that same stop one hour later than usual.

PM Kindergarten Session - 1:45 PM-3:30 PM

Bus will pick up students one hour later than their usual pick up time.

After school, students will return to that same stop at the normal times.

Grades 1-12: Report to bus stop two hours later than your usual pick up time.

PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Parents are responsible for establishing an emergency plan with their children so they will know where to go in the event of an emergency closing. Children should practice this plan before a real emergency arises. Please remind your child to follow the plan during all emergency school closures.

ADDITIONAL REMINDERS

1. If there is not a closing or delayed opening message posted on the front page of the district's website (www.wssd.org) by 5:45 AM, you will know that our schools will be open at the normal time.
2. When schools are closed for emergency reasons for one day, they will reopen the next day unless a message is posted on the district main webpage stating otherwise.

Modified Snow Emergency - Bus Stops

In an effort to service the district safely during snow emergencies, our bus routes will utilize the normal stop locations throughout the district with some exceptions. Please note the following stops and their alternate pickup points. These stop locations will be utilized whenever there are delayed openings or when conditions warrant the alternate location as determined by the Transportation Office.

**Whenever we utilize the alternate stop locations in the morning,
we will also use those locations for the return route in the afternoon.**

Regular stops located on:

- Pineridge, Hemlock, & Beechwood Roads
- Crum Creek Road stops between Beatty & Farnum Roads and 400 - 600 Blocks of Beatty Road
- 810 - 869 Parkridge Drive & Ridge Lane
- Possum Hollow Road between Woodward & Rose Valley Roads
- Longpoint Lane @ Longpoint Lane, and Manchester Road between Rose Valley and Knowlton Roads
- Avondale Road stops between Chester Road and East Rose Valley Road
- Woodward Road stops

Will utilize the following locations:

- Chesley Office Complex (off of Baltimore Pike)
- Parkridge Drive @ Woodridge Lane
- Either end of Parkridge Drive @ Woodridge Lane
- Rose Valley Road @ Possum Hollow Road
- Manchester Road @ Rose Valley Train Station
- Chester Road @ Avondale Road
- Manchester Avenue @ Woodward Road or Providence Road @ Possum Hollow Road