

INCLEMENT WEATHER DECISION-MAKING

A GUIDE FOR COWETA PARENTS & STUDENTS ON THE DISTRICT'S DECISION PROCESS FOR POSSIBLE SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS

THE DECISION

- **Superintendent and Transportation Director gather information regarding road conditions throughout the district.**

IF IT IS THE NIGHT BEFORE...

- By 9:00 pm Superintendent makes decision

IF IT IS THE MORNING OF...

- By 5:15 am Superintendent makes decision

THE COMMUNICATION

If the Superintendent decides to enact **SCHOOL CLOSURE** or **DELAYED START OF SCHOOL** communication to parents and staff begins.

THE COMMUNICATION METHODS

Twitter • Facebook • Automated Phone Call • Website • News Media

SCHOOL CLOSURE

- Classes are canceled
- Evening activities may be allowed if travel conditions improve.

EARLY RELEASE

- While early release days are scheduled throughout the year for professional development purposes, schools will not close early due to inclement weather.
- Parents should always use their own judgement when deciding whether or not to send their child to school. Please contact the school within 48 hours to excuse your child's absence.

DELAYED START OF SCHOOL

- All schools will open 1.5 hours later than their usual time and will end at their normal time.
- For morning bus routes only, buses will run 1.5 hours later than normal. They will return students home at the regular dismissal time in the afternoon.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

- Transportation Department surveys weather conditions.
- By 1:00 pm Superintendent makes decision and communication to parents and staff begins.