



School Closure and Delays

As we enter the heart of winter we want to make sure that the community understands how we will communicate any delay openings or school closures. We have had a few delays and have received feedback and concerns from the community. We put the safety of our students as a priority and thank you for your feedback as we work together to make the best decisions for our students and staff. Over the past week we received comments and suggestions on how we could improve. We are investigating these ideas, but continue to feel that delays should be set at the same time for all schools. We currently have two schools (LAX and CCES) that open 45 minutes early on normal days. If we discover a need to delay school, we will normally open all schools at 10:00, unless otherwise noted. During a delay, students at LaCrosse and Chase City Elementary should be at the bus stop 1 hour and 45 minutes later than normal time. Students that attend the other six schools in the division should report to the bus stop 1 hour later than normal.

Example for a 10:00 delay opening:

Susan attends Chase City Elementary. Normally she is picked up at 7:30am. When school is delayed to open at 10:00am, Susan will have a 1 hour and 45 minute delay. She should plan to be at her bus stop at 9:15am.

Susan's big brother Rodney attends Bluestone High School. Normally he is picked up at 7:55am. When school is delayed to open at 10:00am, Rodney will have a 1-hour delay. He should plan to be at his bus stop at 8:55am.

While we are aware that sometimes this means older siblings will be picked up first, we are unable to make changes to the bus route. While we understand this is not the ideal situation, we encourage parents to make arrangements for younger students to still have a responsible adult at the bus stop.

For up to date information about closures and delays, please make sure the school has a correct contact number for our School Messenger system. You may "Like" us on Facebook, and listen to the local radio and television stations for delay and closure information.

Your opinion matters. If you have any suggestions or solutions please contact:
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