Weather-related closures, class cancellations and delayed school openings

Surrey Schools
LEADERSHIP IN LEARNING

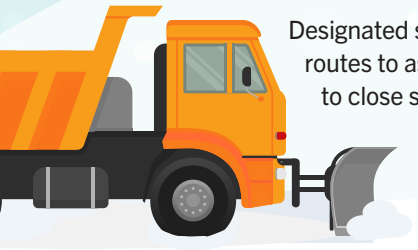
In the event of inclement weather, we want to remind families, students and staff about where to find information and how we make decisions to cancel classes, delay school openings or alter bus service due to weather.

All schools in the Surrey School District will remain OPEN if at all possible, except under extreme circumstances.

HOW ARE DECISIONS MADE?

The Surrey School District covers a large geographic area, so conditions at individual school sites may vary. A variety of factors are considered before a decision is made, including:

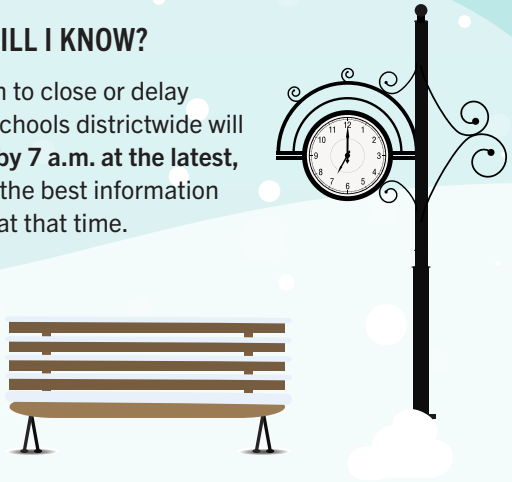
- Road, sidewalk, school and parking lot conditions;
- Issues such as power outages and other emergent matters.



Designated staff members travel predetermined routes to assess conditions, and a recommendation to close schools or cancel buses is discussed with key district personnel, as well as neighbouring school districts. Student and staff safety are always our top priority.

WHEN WILL I KNOW?

A decision to close or delay opening schools districtwide will **be made by 7 a.m. at the latest,** based on the best information available at that time.



HOW WILL I BE INFORMED?

Except under extreme circumstances, no announcement will be made that schools are open. Only cancellations, closures or delayed school openings will be announced. We will communicate this information as soon as it's available through:



- @surreyschools.bsky.social
- @surrey_schools
- SurreySchools
- surreyschools.ca
- Metro Vancouver media



FAMILIES ALWAYS HAVE A CHOICE

Student safety is our first priority and a shared responsibility. Parents may choose to make other arrangements if they don't feel it's safe to travel to school. Student absences under these circumstances will be excused. Parents should contact the school if a student will not be attending.