

As we approach the winter season, we want to ensure that our school community stays informed and prepared for any challenges that winter weather may bring. The safety and well-being of our students, staff, and families are our top priorities, and we want to keep you updated on our winter weather procedures.

School Closures and Delays:

In the event of severe weather conditions, such as heavy snowfall, icy roads, or extreme cold, the North Linn Community School District may need to make decisions regarding school closures or delays. Each weather situation will be assessed independently. A decision is generally made before 6:00 am with notification to families as soon as staff is safely able to do so. Please note that while the superintendent decides whether schools will be open or not, it is always a parent/guardian's decision whether you want your child to attend that day. When an absence is due to known inclement weather, a family's decision to keep their child home will not be counted against their attendance record.

4 Year-old preschool: See details on our webpage regarding this schedule.

https://www.northlinncsd.org/news/preschool_weather_plan_20250922

Cold:

If the Actual temperature is -15 or colder, school will be delayed, or canceled.

If the National Weather Service issues a wind chill **advisory** that would be in effect at the start of the school day, there may be a two-hour delay.

- A wind chill advisory means wind chill values are expected to fall to between -20° & -29° F.

If the National Weather Service issues a wind chill **warning** that would be in effect at the start of the school day, there will be a two-hour delay.

- A wind chill warning means the wind chill values are expected to fall to -30°F or lower.

If the wind chill warning is in effect beyond 11:00 AM, classes will be canceled.

Notification Process:

Our district utilizes various communication channels to notify parents and guardians of any changes due to winter weather. Please avoid calling the school about cancellations, delays, or early dismissals. Unless you see an alert on our website or receive a notification through Infinite Campus, assume school is running as usual. You may stay informed through the following:

1. Text Alerts: Make sure your contact information is up-to-date in Infinite Campus to receive text alerts for school closures or delays.
2. Emails: Check your email regularly for official announcements and updates.
3. Social Media: Visit our district website Facebook and Twitter accounts.
4. Local News Outlets:

Television – KGAN, KCRG & KWWL

Radio – KMCH 94.7 FM, KCKK 88.3 FM & KXEL 1450 AM

Other Information

If schools are closed, only the District Office, weather permitting, will be open. When schools are closed for the day, all elementary and middle school activities/events are canceled unless otherwise noted.

High School coaches/directors will work with the Activities Director to determine whether or not high school activities/events are canceled or allowed. Specific announcements will be made if activities scheduled can be held because of improved weather conditions.

Winter Weather Preparedness:

We encourage all students and staff to take precautions during the winter months. Dress warmly, wear appropriate footwear, and allow extra time for travel to and from school. Parents, please ensure your children are dressed in layers and have suitable outerwear for the colder temperatures.

These general guidelines are subject to change at the Superintendent's discretion. Each weather situation will be assessed independently. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we navigate the winter season together. Our priority is to maintain a safe and supportive learning environment for all members of the North Linn Community School District. Thank you for your attention to these important winter weather procedures. Stay warm and safe!