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## SCHOOLS CLOSED OR DELAYED



The Superintendent and Board of Education of the MSD of Warren Township expect to conduct school each and every day. However, to ensure the safety of students and staff, it may be necessary to close or delay schools due to dangerous weather and/or road conditions.

### What happens when we have bad weather?

When we have bad weather, the Superintendent can choose any of a number of options including: 1. Closing schools; 2. Delaying the start of a school day; or 3. Dismissing schools early. If we have bad weather overnight, the Superintendent and her staff evaluate weather and road conditions prior to 5:30 a.m. By 6:00 a.m., local radio and TV stations will have information about whether Warren Township Schools are closed or delayed.

### How do parents/students learn about Closings or Delays?



**Parents and/or guardians will be notified of school closings via your home phone. If school is closed or delayed a mass message will be sent out to all households regarding the delay or closing, this message will be sent by 5:45AM. If you have more than one phone number in our system, the message will be sent to each number listed.**

Regardless of the time of day that bad weather may strike, parents and guardians can be alerted to the possibility of school being delayed or closed. **The following radio and TV stations will be contacted and told if Warren Township Schools are closed or delayed:**

#### Radio Stations:

WFMS – 95.5 FM    WIBC – 1070 AM    WGLD – 104.5 FM  
WGRL – 93.9 FM    WXNT – 1430 AM    WHHH – 96.3 FM  
WZPL – 99.5 FM    WTPI – 107.9 FM    WENS – 97.1 FM  
B105.7 FM

#### TV Stations:

WTHR TV – 13    WRTV – 6    WISH TV – 8  
WXIN TV – 59    WTTV – 4

Please listen carefully for “MSD Warren Township” or “Warren Township Schools” since these stations sometimes broadcast information for “Warren COUNTY” schools.

### If schools close before a day starts,

radio and TV stations will announce the closing early in the morning starting at 6:00 a.m. Parents should set up a plan for supervision or child care for their children in advance of bad weather closings like this.



**For recorded school closing and delay**

**information:** please call your respective school.



### What are parent responsibilities when schools delay?

If there is a DELAY, our schools will start (2) hours after the normal starting time. So, if your child is picked up by the bus for school at 7:45 a.m., the delay would mean that the bus would pick up your child two hours later at 9:45 a.m. Parents are responsible for arranging child care or supervision until the bus arrives. Since staff members have to battle the weather and bad roads too, please do not bring your child to school early.



### If schools close during a school day,

the school district will notify the news media as quickly as possible. A time for early closing will be announced and buses will leave your child’s school at that time. Parents should set up a plan IN ADVANCE with their children if school has to be closed early due to bad weather.

### What happens with Child Care when we Close or Delay?

Pre-schoolers – Preschoolers currently attending Early Childhood Center Day Care may come to the Center as usual. Service for delayed opening is for Early Childhood and already registered Before-Care participants only. On ALL DAY closings, School Age Child Care (after school) - Children currently attending the Child Care Program may be brought to the Warren Early Childhood Center. They must bring a sack lunch and drink. There will be an additional fee per child, for closing or early dismissal. Hours are 6:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

**Make your plans before bad weather delays or school closings. Please call your child’s school now if you have questions.**

The MSD of Warren Township schedules 180 school days per year, as required by Indiana law. Therefore, if schools are closed for the entire day for any reason, the missed days by law must be made up.

**Please do not call the transportation office.**