

Inclement Weather Procedure

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Weather situations are oftentimes unpredictable; therefore, I am providing you with information concerning Madison Parish School District (MPSD) procedures for early dismissals and school closings due to inclement weather. Please understand that the decision to open or close the schools in the event of potential bad weather is based upon careful analysis of all relevant factors. The decision is made after consultation with local emergency agents, the Board President, surrounding districts, and assessments of the conditions in town, as well as, outlying areas which may impact student and staff travel.

The Madison Parish School District provides notification of important school and district messages, including inclement weather school closings in the following manner:

1. **E-Notes Notification System:** The district uses the E-Notes Notification System and parents can sign-up using their email address at madisonpsb.org. Notifications may be sent by text or email.
2. **Web Posting:** School closing messages due to inclement weather are always posted on the district website at madisonpsb.org
3. **Facebook:** School closing messages due to inclement weather are also listed on our Facebook page- Madison Parish School District
4. **Television stations:** KNOE TV8 and Fox 14 will also broadcast school closures
5. **JPAMS-** recorded messages will be used to contact parents using the information telephone number on file

Early Dismissals

The severity of weather condition will be handled individually. MPSD will make every attempt to keep school open since all parents cannot make appropriate arrangements to have their children picked up early, but if you are more comfortable in picking up your child early, that request will be considered. The cancelation of after school and evening activities will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis and announced with the alert. **If school has to be dismissed early due to inclement weather, we will use at least one of the methods explained above.**

Inclement Weather Days

Inclement weather days are built into the school calendar, but if additional days are needed, we will consider altering our instructional calendar to make up any missed school minutes or days. Our first priority is keeping our students and staff safe.

If you have any questions regarding school closures, please feel free in contacting my office.

Sincerely,
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