

TRANSPORTATION IN INCLEMENT WEATHER

School district buses will not operate when weather conditions due to fog, rain, snow or other natural elements make it unsafe to do so. Because weather conditions may vary around the school district and may change quickly, the best judgment possible will be used with the information available.

Wapsie Valley will attempt to avoid the operation of school buses when weather conditions make it unsafe to do so. The superintendent or his/her designee will make the decision as to whether bus routes should begin, but since weather conditions can change quickly and may vary within the district, the drivers will be expected to use their own discretion when conditions (snow drifts, wash-outs, etc.) develop that in their opinion make it impossible to follow their regular route sequence. Under conditions when it is impossible to continue (fog, downpours, blizzards, visibility), they should not make stops for the purpose of loading and unloading. Via telephone or other safe means available, word should be sent to the superintendent that they are safe, they are at a certain location, and they are waiting for improved driving conditions. If the superintendent decides to delay or cancel school or send students home early, he/she will put the information on KOEL.

The respective building principals and athletic director will decide whether conditions allow buses to depart for activity events. In the absence of these people at the time of departure, the decision will be made by the coach(es) or sponsor(s) in charge.

Cross Reference: 601.2 School Day

