



Transportation 2 – Inclement Weather

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3.11 Schools shall remain open when school bus services are suspended by the Superintendent or designate, and will receive students who are conveyed to school by their parents. Parents, who have brought their children to school on days when school bus services are suspended because of inclement weather or hazardous road conditions, will be responsible for picking up their children at the end of the school day.

3.12 The school shall advise parents to make alternate arrangements for accommodating their children in the event school is dismissed early.

3.12.1 If the parents/guardians cannot be contacted, the students remain at school under adult supervision, as arranged by the principal, until accommodations can be found.

4.0 ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES

4.1 The lowest temperature at which students will be required to go out of doors shall be –20 Celsius, including the wind-chill factor.

4.2 The principal of each school shall establish rules which reasonably provide for students to remain indoors during inclement weather. The rules shall include:

4.2.1 The designation of an area for students who are outdoors to use for periodic shelter when needed.

4.2.2 That students will at all times be permitted access to washroom facilities.

4.3 The principal of each school shall ensure that staff, students and parents are familiar with the rules.

4.4 Article 15.1.1 of the ATA collective agreement requires direct communication between the teacher and the principal in cases where the teacher believes he/she is unable to attend school because of impassable roads. While the expectation is that all staff will be at school, the principal will make the decision regarding the level of staffing required for the operation of the school.

References: Board Policy: I/3 - Inclement Weather
D/II/9 - School Inclement Weather Policy