

SLIPPERY ROCK AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Winter Weather Watch

2016-2017 School Year

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Winter weather will arrive soon. When snow or other inclement weather conditions are predicted, the safety of the Slippery Rock Area School district children becomes a prime concern for parents and school personnel.

SCHOOL CLOSINGS, DELAYS OR EARLY DISMISSALS

If school is to be delayed, cancelled, or an early dismissal is required, you will receive telephone notification through the Blackboard Connect5 Notification System and the decision will also be broadcast on KDKA-TV (Channel 2), WPXI-TV (Channel 11), WTAE-TV (Channel 4) and WBUT/WLER – radio (Butler). You can also get school delays/cancellations online at WPXI.com (click on weather and scroll to school closings/delays). On days when weather conditions cause only minor delays for school buses, students are asked to wait a maximum of 15 minutes at the bus stop. However, the waiting period is at the parent's discretion, depending on wind chill factor, etc.

Delays in school starting time may be made when weather conditions warrant. If road conditions worsen during the day and it is not possible to properly maintain the roads, students may be delayed in arriving home. There may be advanced warning during the school day of potential weather conditions that would warrant closing school at an earlier time.

PARENTS WHO ARE NOT HOME DURING THE DAY SHOULD MAKE PRIOR ARRANGEMENTS FOR THEIR CHILDREN'S SHELTER IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY.

It is the school district's responsibility to safely transport children to and from school. However, parents must decide whether or not their child can withstand the weather to wait for the bus and go to school. When school is open but a parent feels that the weather conditions make it inadvisable to send their child to school, the parent may keep the child home. Send a brief written excuse when your child returns to school. Weather related excuses will be counted toward the 10-day parental total and will be considered excused.

MAKE UP DAYS WILL OCCUR IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER (please refer to your school calendar): January 2, 2017, January 16, 2017, February 20, 2017, March 17, 2017, April 13, 2017, and April 17, 2017.

The above dates have been designated as days that may be utilized as make up days for school closings due to inclement weather.



NWS Windchill Chart

