

Dear Parents:

October 2023

In preparation for the possibility of school closings, delays, and early dismissals due to poor weather conditions, the procedures we will follow are outlined below. Every effort will be made to air all announcements by 6:15am, but it is not always possible due to late-changing weather conditions. Students, parents, and staff are urged to watch local television stations or log on to www.northmontschools.net for the most timely information. You will also receive a phone call through our parent notification phone system. **Please note that allowing students to drive to school is a parent decision. Parents and student drivers are reminded of the option of riding the school bus on bad weather days, even if they do not ride on a regular basis.**

TWO-HOUR DELAYS

When conditions are such that a delayed start is judged to be the most appropriate, a **TWO-HOUR DELAY** will be announced. YMCA childcare will open at the regular time when there is a two-hour delay. If school is then canceled for the remainder of the day, childcare will close. Parents will need to pick up their children from their school buildings within an hour and can take them to KELC as long as they are pre-registered in Sign-Up Genius and are current students in the program. YMCA cannot transport children to KELC. Please pack a nut-free lunch. There will be no AM Preschool. Delayed starting times:

High School: 9:50 am **Middle School:** 9:45 am **Elementary:** 11:10 am **KELC:** 11:20 am

All bus riders, including **PRIVATE/PAROCHIAL SCHOOL STUDENTS**, will be picked up and taken to school **EXACTLY TWO HOURS LATER** than usual. Dismissal schedules will remain unchanged.

EARLY DISMISSALS

Unpredictable weather situations may occur at any time. Decisions are most complicated when school is already in session. When students are already in school, it is often best for students to remain in class rather than dismiss early to allow time for the local road crews to do their jobs and clear the roadways. Childcare will operate normal hours. We realize that in homes where both parents work, an early dismissal can cause an inconvenience. **Therefore, we urge all parents to be certain that children know where to go if school is dismissed early and the child finds no one at home.** The following time schedule will be followed during a scheduled early dismissal:

NORTHMONT SCHOOLS

High School & Middle School	1:00 p.m.
Elementary Buildings	1:45 p.m.
Miami Valley CTC	12:45 p.m.

PRIVATE/PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS

Salem Christian Academy	1:00 p.m.
St. Christopher	12:35 p.m.

SCHOOL CLOSINGS

When school closings are broadcast for Northmont, it will include **ALL** NORTHMONT SCHOOLS AND BUSES. Transportation **WILL NOT** BE PROVIDED TO AND FROM PRIVATE/PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS ON DAYS NORTHMONT ANNOUNCES A SCHOOL CLOSING. School-age children can attend the all-day program at KELC 6:30am - 6:00pm as long as they have pre-registered in Sign-Up Genius and are current students in the program. **No food service is provided on non-school days. Parents will need to pack a nut-free breakfast and lunch. Weather conditions will be re-evaluated by 1:00 p.m. for afternoon and evening activities, and changes will be announced.**

Tony Thomas, Superintendent