



Milton-Freewater

Unified School District

These are the expectations that the Milton-Freewater School District will follow in regards to outside recess/PE during cold weather.

- When cold weather is upon us, buildings will access AccuWeather for the area <https://www.accuweather.com/en/us/milton-freewater/97862/weather-forecast/340222?city=milton-freewater>
- If the **“real feel”** (which takes into account both wind chill and solar heat) is **below 15 degrees**, we will ask our staff to make accommodations to house students inside for recess and/or PE.
- Our staff will carefully monitor students while outside and take the necessary steps to ensure students are appropriately clothed/prepared for the cold weather, watching out for signs of frostbite and other cold-related issues.
- Additionally, we ask each school to assess outside area conditions for snow, ice, slippery conditions and determine whether outdoor activities should be conducted based on safety concerns (separate from the temperature guidelines).
- Also taken into account and possibly adjusted, the length of time staff are exposed to adverse conditions for supervision responsibilities.
- Parents, we also ask for your collaboration by making sure that your student is dressed appropriately (wearing enough layers, gloves, scarf, etc.) for school based on the temperature outside.
- If your student does not have a jacket, please feel free to speak with the school counselor.

WIND SPEED in MPH

	Calm	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40
50	50	48	40	36	32	30	28	27	26
40	40	37	28	22	18	16	13	11	10
30	30	27	16	9	4	0	-2	-4	-6
20	20	16	4	-5	-10	-15	-18	-20	-21
10	10	6	-9	-13	-25	-29	-33	-35	-37
0	0	-5	-21	-36	-39	-44	-43	-49	-53
-10	-10	-15	-33	-45	-53	-59	-63	-67	-60
-20	-20	-20	-46	-58	-67	-74	-79	-82	-85

- Outdoor play is recommended when temperature/wind chill is 15 degrees F or above.
- Use caution when temperature/wind chill is between 0 to 15 degrees F.
- Outdoor play is not recommended when temperature/wind chill is 0 degrees F. or below