



**Mesa Middle School**

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Dear Mesa Middle School Community:

First and foremost, I would like to thank all of you for such a great start to our school year! Secondly, as you know, weather in Colorado is unpredictable and we need to be prepared for the possibility of a delayed release due to lightning/weather. It is always our highest priority to keep your children safe and therefore we will not release students when lightning is in the area (within 8 miles). When we need to have a delayed dismissal due to lightning/weather, we will send a communication stating the delay via text message and email. Bus riders may be released as normal, (decision made by DCSD Transportation) if they determine they are able to travel safely to their destination. When in a lightning/weather delay, we will hold students and wait for a break in the weather that would allow students to leave the building safely; we thank you in advance for your patience as we monitor the weather. If parents have an urgent need to pick up their child before we determine it is safe to dismiss all students, you may come to the front door, complete the sign-out form, and we will call your student to the office and release them directly to you. Please do not call the school and only use this for urgent circumstances. Our goal is to release students as soon as possible and we will send a second communication when we are ready to dismiss.

We appreciate your patience and understanding during these unpredictable circumstances and please know our intent is solely to keep your children as safe as possible. GO BEARS!

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