



Haslett Public Schools

Haslett Happenings Around the District
from the desk of...Steven L. Cook, Superintendent of Schools

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School Closure Weather Decisions

As we enter the winter months in Michigan, it is likely that Haslett Public Schools may need to close schools due to weather. Members of our school community will be notified as soon as the decision has been finalized. Notification has become easier and almost instantaneous with the assistance of social media.

Once the decision to close school is made (usually the morning of the closure), ALL school families will immediately receive phone and email notifications based on contact information available in our Skyward student information system. (Parents and guardians may add additional phone numbers and email addresses by logging into their “Family Access” account.)

If you or members of your family do not have a Family Access Account:

- Closure information will be posted on the district website as soon as a decision to close school has been finalized.
- The district app will also push out notifications to subscribers of the app.
- Local media stations are contacted as soon as the District makes a decision to close school.

If you typically drive your child to school, and the school appears to be closed, be sure to check resources above before leaving your child at the door.

The **Superintendent of Schools is responsible for making the final decision to close school.** This decision is not made alone, but in consultation with other area superintendents, Ingham Intermediate School District, Ingham County Road Commission, and area safety personnel, such as Meridian Township and Michigan State Police.

The **following procedures** are employed by the District when weather conditions cause the District to consider closing school:

- If outside **temperatures** or the **wind chill** are **20 degrees or more below zero**, school is automatically closed.
- If the closing of school is a consideration, the Haslett Director of Facilities and Operations begins traveling the roads early in the morning to determine **if road conditions make it unsafe** for our district buses, parents, and students.
- The Director of Facilities and Operations also **communicates with local law enforcement employees**, the county road commission staff, and neighboring district facility and transportation supervisors. During this gathering of information, they are also in close contact with the Superintendent.
- Prior to making the final decision to close schools, the **Superintendent personally communicates with all 12 local county Superintendents**, via social media, to assess road conditions in our neighboring districts.
- Every district makes an independent decision to close school. **Neighboring districts may be closed while we remain open**, as road conditions may vary depending on the rural or urban nature of each district.
- Final decisions to close school are made **in the morning before 6:00 AM**, if possible.

We consider the decision to close school very seriously. As a parent, you may not always agree with our decision; however, please know **if you believe conditions are not safe, it is always your right to keep your child home.**

To establish a Skyward Family Access account: go to www.haslett.k12.mi.us and click on “For Parents,” complete request form for “Family Access,” and submit. Once your account is created, log in and click on the Skylert link.

Upcoming Calendar Events

November 7

MS Conferences (3-5 PM and 5:30-7 PM)
(In-person)

MS Parent Common Council (5 PM)

November 8

MS Conferences (3-5 PM and 5:30-7 PM)
(Virtual)

Choir Boosters (7 PM - Viking Room)

November 13

Murphy/Ralya Santa’s First Responders
Coin Drive

Board of Education Meeting (7 PM)

November 14

Murphy/Ralya Santa’s First Responders
Coin Drive

Murphy Family Literacy Night (5:30 PM)

Ralya PTO (6-7 PM)

November 15

Murphy/Ralya Santa’s First Responders
Coin Drive

HS Student of the Month (7:15 AM)

November 16

Murphy/Ralya Santa’s First Responders
Coin Drive

WECC PTO Meeting (6 PM - Room 207)

November 17

Murphy/Ralya Santa’s First Responders
Coin Drive

HS Musical (7:30 PM)

November 18

HS Musical (2 PM and 7:30 PM)



Tickets sales are now available!

https://secure.payk12.com/school/_/212

Show Dates

Friday, November 17 - 7:30pm Tickets \$12

Saturday, November 18 - 2:00pm Tickets \$10

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