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MEMORANDUM

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To: Public School Superintendents
Public School Business Administrators
Public School Business Transportation Supervisors/Coordinators
Nonpublic School Administrators
Charter/Renaissance School Administrators
NJ Approved Private Schools for the Disabled
Bus Contractors

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Re: 2024-2025 Transportation during emergencies/inclement weather

The following information is for CCESC contracted transportation for closures due to emergencies (including but not limited to) a public health concern, or inclement weather. It applies to all public, vocational, charter, renaissance, nonpublic and private schools.

- **For COVID-19 or other public health CLOSURES, schools/districts MUST notify the bus company and the CCESC of the closure dates.**
- For weather related closings, all students will be transported to their respective schools unless the school or district designee notifies the bus company. Bus companies should know by **5:00 AM** that schools are closed. If a bus leaves the yard, appropriate charges will be incurred by the school district.
- **If a school district is closed, students from that district WILL NOT be transported, regardless of the destination school's status.**
- **It is the school district/school's responsibility to communicate with parents about the route status for student's on shared routes.**
- **SEE CHART BELOW FOR TRANSPORTATION SCENARIOS.**

The following procedures will be in effect to implement the directives above.

- If a destination school/district is closed or on delayed opening, the destination school/district designee has the responsibility to call all bus companies transporting their students and advise them accordingly. Bus companies will adjust their schedule to accommodate the closing or delayed opening at the destination school.

- If a student's resident school district is closed and the destination school is open, students from the resident school district will **not** be transported. Bus companies have the responsibility to identify the status of resident school districts and adjust schedules accordingly. For bus routes transporting students from multiple resident school districts, buses are to be cancelled only if all resident school districts on the route are closed.
- Early dismissals will be communicated by the school/district designee to the bus companies servicing their schools.

| CCESC Transportation Scenarios For Emergency Closings | | District/School of Attendance | | |
|---|---------|-------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| | | Open | Closed | Delayed |
| District of Residence | Open | Regular Transportation | No Transportation | Delayed Transportation |
| | Closed | No Transportation | No Transportation | No Transportation |
| | Delayed | Delayed Transportation | No Transportation | Delayed Transportation |

Bus Companies: For consolidated routes covering multiple districts/schools/municipalities: If ANY district/school of residence on the route is DELAYED, the route will operate on a delayed opening based on the LATEST delay, even if ANY district of residence or attendance is open on time. It is the responsibility of the district/school of attendance to notify their students on the route.

Schools/Districts: It is your responsibility to notify the bus companies AND YOUR STUDENTS of your closing/delayed opening/early dismissal status.

Camden County Educational Services Commission will update route information weekly during the winter for those schools/districts that have students from multiple districts of residence on a consolidated route. It is the responsibility of the school/district to develop a student notification for those routes.

| Example 1: Route 123, School of Attendance: YALE @ Medford Memorial | | | | |
|--|--------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Name | Resident District | Resident District Status | School of Attendance | Transportation |
| Student 1 | Audubon | Open | Delayed 2 hours | Delayed 2 hours |
| Student 2 | Collingswood | Delayed 1.5 hours | Delayed 2 hours | Delayed 2 hours |
| Student 3 | Haddon Heights | Closed | Delayed 2 hours | NONE |
| Student 4 | Lawnside | Delayed 2 hours | Delayed 2 hours | Delayed 2 hours |
| Student 5 | Winslow | Closed | Delayed 2 hours | NONE |
| Student 6 | Atco | Open | Delayed 2 hours | Delayed 2 hours |
| Example 2: Route 456, School of Attendance: Paul VI HS | | | | |
| Name | Resident District | Resident District Status | School of Attendance | Transportation |
| Student 1 | Winslow | Open | Open | Delayed 2 hours |
| Student 2 | Lindenwold | Delayed 1.5 hours | Open | Delayed 2 hours |
| Student 3 | Voorhees | Delayed 2 hours | Open | Delayed 2 hours |
| Student 4 | Voorhees | Delayed 2 hours | Open | Delayed 2 hours |
| Student 5 | Somerdale | Closed | Open | NONE |
| Student 6 | Haddonfield | Open | Open | Delayed 2 hours |