

CHENEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS INCLEMENT WEATHER PROTOCOLS FOR 2024 -2025



In the event of inclement weather, the district will make a determination for a delay or closure by 5:30 a.m. The decision will be communicated through ParentSquare. If a delayed start turns into a school closure, communication will be distributed by 7 a.m.



Delayed Start

If inclement weather makes roads unsafe necessitating delays for personal and district transportation, then schools will start 2 hours late (1 hour on Fridays).

- Salnave Elementary School, Cheney and Westwood Middle Schools, WIN Academy and Cheney High School will start at 9:50 a.m.
- Three Springs will start at 10:10 a.m. and HomeWorks! will start at 10:30 a.m.
- Betz, Snowdon, Sunset and Windsor Elementary Schools will start at 10:50 a.m.
- This delay schedule is applicable for Monday through Friday.
- ECEAP/Preschool will follow school delays.
- Cheney Public Schools Nutrition Services will offer grab and go breakfast as needed when a weather delay occurs.
- Regular lunch service will still be provided.



School Closure

If inclement weather will prohibit the safe travel on roads throughout the district, then schools will be closed for the day.

- The school day will be made up on a prescheduled day as prescribed by the school district calendar.
- All athletics and activities will be canceled.
- ECEAP/Preschool will follow school closures.
- Nutrition Services will not provide meals.

Facilities Plan During Inclement Weather

If inclement weather may impact schools, the maintenance team will begin preparing schools no later than 2 a.m. If there is less than 1 inch of snow, sidewalks will be deiced. If there is more than 1 inch of snow, then a full plow of all schools will be initiated.

How does the District Make Delay and Closure Determinations?

1

If inclement weather is forecasted, then the transportation director and assistant director begin driving bus routes overnight to check road safety conditions. Consultation is also made with neighboring districts and Spokane County.



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The transportation director and assistant director call the Superintendent at 4:30 a.m. In conjunction with other district officials, the decision to delay or close schools will be made by approximately 5:30 a.m.



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The district will send a communication to all district families by email, text and voicemail. Notifications will also be provided to local media and posted on the district website and social media.

