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Weather, Closure & Delay Information for Valley Schools

In the event of inclement weather or electrical outages, it may become necessary for Douglas County School District to call Alternate Bus Stops / Snow Stops, a 120-minute delay or a Snow Day. DCSD's first consideration in making these decisions are the safety of the students.

Alternate Bus Stops / Snow Stops will be in effect when it is decided that it is safest to prohibit bus travel in certain areas. Buses will still pick up and drop off students however; it will be at a bus stop on a safely accessible street. Both pick up and drop off will be at the alternate bus stops, even if weather conditions improve. Specific instructions for alternate bus stops, will be given by the bus driver.

120 Minute Delay is called if it is determined that it would be safer if the buses picked up students 120 minutes later in the morning and the weather conditions are such that the buses can make it home safely in the afternoon.

A **Snow Day** is called when it is decided that it is safest for DCSD students to not attend school due to weather or other conditions being unpredictable.

Decisions will be made no later than 5:00AM, our website and Facebook page will display this information by 5:30AM. You will also receive an auto-dialer message, providing we have your correct phone numbers.

Please note:

- No message will be sent out if it is school as usual.
- No notification system is foolproof. Power outages and technical problems can arise.
- Predicting the weather is always a difficult task. Conditions at one end of the valley can be quite different from the other and weather conditions can change very rapidly. All applicable factors will be taken into consideration.
- Decisions will be made with the safety of the students as the first priority.

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