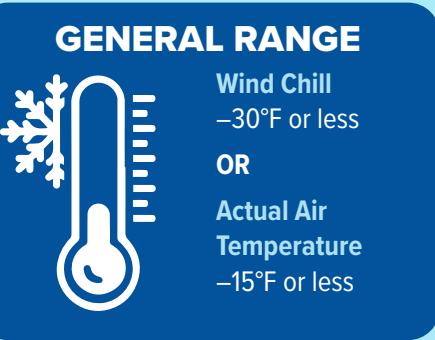


Severe Cold Response Plans



EXTREME COLD WARNING

Schools will be closed under the condition of an extreme cold warning. An extreme cold warning indicates that life-threatening conditions and a risk to safety exists. Measures should be taken to safeguard life and property immediately. An extreme cold warning is typically issued when the wind chill will be -30°F or colder OR the actual air temperature is -15°F or less.



GENERAL RANGE

Wind Chill
 -30°F or less
OR
Actual Air Temperature
 -15°F or less

EXTREME COLD WARNING: SCHOOL CLOSURE

- Classes will be cancelled and school closure protocols will be instituted
- All notification systems will be leveraged to send school cancellation communications to families
- Extracurricular activities will be suspended while the extreme cold warning is in effect

COLD WEATHER ADVISORY: COLD ACTION DAY

- Schools will be open and student attendance is expected
- When safety allows, buses will pick up all student walkers regardless of route assignment
- Fire and Police will be notified prior to the start of the school day of the Cold Action designation
- School administrators will be given authority to keep students in the building in the event of a fire alarm and will relocate students to a safe location within the building; in the event of an evacuation, administrators will institute parallel evacuation protocols to return students to a safe interior location
- Extracurricular activities will be evaluated and may be suspended if conditions persist; updates will be posted on each school's website
- All off-campus activities will be suspended (this includes but is not limited to: all off-site daytime programs, field trips, and work programs)
- Scheduled student transports between buildings will be assessed
- All outside student activities will be suspended
- All lab-based activities that have potential to cause fire or smoke alarm activation will be reevaluated or rescheduled; communication and coordination with the impacted departments will be conducted by building administration
- Students will be allowed to keep outerwear with them while in the building
- Schools will make announcements to provide access to donated outerwear to all students

NOTE: The National Weather Service (NWS) is the meteorological source to determine and declare an extreme cold warning or a cold weather advisory. <http://www.weather.gov/> This document has been updated to reflect the National Weather Service revised Cold Weather Guidance.

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