Pine-Richland School District

Focused on Learning for Every Student Every Day

Inclement Weather Reminders

December 1, 2025

Dear Pine-Richland Students, Parents and Staff,

As we enter December and the winter months, it is a good time to share a reminder of our procedures related to weather delays, cancellations and virtual learning.



First Snow/Weather Closures

It has been a tradition that the **first school closure due to snow/inclement weather is a pure closure with no make-up day** for students.

Subsequent Snow/Weather Closures

All subsequent snow/inclement weather closures will result in a virtual learning day. On those days, we will follow the procedure as outlined below. Please read carefully to plan ahead:

- A **period of asynchronous work** will allow time for students and families to get organized and offer a period of flexibility for **two hours** in the morning. It also allows time for staff to finalize preparation for synchronous (live) instruction.
- **Live virtual instruction using Google Meet and/or Blackboard Collaborate will be implemented. Building principals and classroom teachers will share more details about the schedule and expectations. Students should have their devices charged and ready to go during the winter weather months. Please visit our website for more information and schedules for each grade span.**

Extreme Cold

Please read this section carefully. The threshold for a cold weather-related delay at Pine-Richland is negative ten degrees wind chill (-10 F).

If temperatures are expected to be at or below -10, we will call a two-hour delay if temperatures are forecast to rise above that threshold.

If temperatures are expected to stay below -10 through the entire morning arrival window, we will instead shift immediately to a virtual learning day. The same two-hour block exists for planning and preparation.

Updating Contact Information

In the event of a delay, closure or virtual learning day, the district will send a rapid call to all families and staff. Rapid calls include a phone call, email and text message.

Please take a moment to review and update your child(ren)'s contact information in the Sapphire Community Portal. Be sure to indicate the numbers to which you would like to receive voice calls and text messages. Please also be sure to set the **contact order for emergency notifications** so that we know to which numbers to direct rapid calls.

Information about delays, closures or virtual learning days will also be posted to our website and shared with KDKA, WTAE and WPXI.

Website

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