



BISHOP O'CONNELL HIGH SCHOOL

Bus Transportation Inclement Weather & Emergencies

When Bishop O'Connell High School is in session and no weather or other emergency situation has been announced, **all bus pick-ups and drop-offs will be at the regularly scheduled times (see Route Sheet)**. This includes days when O'Connell has a **scheduled** late opening. The cafeteria will be available for students to wait until school opens.

For delays or early closures due to inclement weather, the bus pick-up/drop-off times will be adjusted according to decisions made by the **Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS)**. Please follow local media and the Bishop O'Connell High School Emergency Messaging System (EMS) for these notifications.

St. Thomas More Cathedral School (STM) follows **Arlington Public Schools (APS)** decisions for all weather-related/emergency delayed school openings, early closings, or cancellations. **Bus pick-up times, however, will be based on FCPS/Bishop O'Connell High School decisions ONLY (which may be different from Arlington)**.

Note:

- When Fairfax County Public School is CLOSED, there is NO TRANSPORTATION.
- When Fairfax County Public Schools have a DELAYED OPENING (2 hours), pick-up times will be delayed by the same amount of time (2 hours).
Example: When Fairfax County Public Schools announce a two-hour delay, a student who is usually picked up at 6:35 am will be picked up at 8:35 am. Please remember that this applies ONLY to weather or other FCPS emergency-related decisions.

Also Note:

- Any day O'Connell has a scheduled "No School," there is NO TRANSPORTATION FOR STM.
- If STM has an early release and NO Extended Day, there is NO AFTERNOON TRANSPORTATION FOR STM.

Please save this information for reference. I will not be available for phone contact on days of delayed openings or closures. The Bishop O'Connell calendar will be made available to STM students for planning purposes. Every effort will be made to alert families about irregular schedules or unpublished changes.

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