

# Skykomish Public School School District No. 404

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## 2017 Inclement Weather Notification

On days of inclement weather, there is the possibility of starting late. By doing so, it makes for much safer travel—it allows the county and state road crews more time to clear roads and provides increased daylight for children walking to and from bus stops and school.

If the weather worsens, there is always the possibility a late start could be changed to a school closure.

If weather becomes inclement after school has started, a decision may be made to close school early. Students will not be released from school until direct contact has been made with an adult authorized on the student's enrollment form.

It is extremely important for each family to develop an alternate plan if the normal school day is adjusted for safety. Students must understand parents/guardians' expectations in the event of an emergency schedule change. (Please have a plan in place for your children if a two-hour delay or schedule change is made, especially if you leave before the school bus arrives.)

Families will receive a telephone message from the District if there is a change to the school schedule via Bright Arrow or Flash Alert notification. **Families who do not want the interruption of an early morning or evening inclement weather call can opt out of receiving them by contacting the school office. However, to receive these notifications please contact the school's office to be added to the notification system.**

After-school programs, extra-curricular activities and special events are on hold status until a determination is made by the Superintendent and Athletic Director. There will be no preschool programs.

If no schedule change information is posted, schools and buses are on their regular schedules.

### **SNOW/AND EMERGENCY SCHEDULE**

If buses cannot run regular routes, Snow Schedule and/or a two hour delay will be broadcasted.

Maintaining an accurate bus schedule in inclement weather is difficult. Because of problems with schedules on these days, please have your children dress appropriately for the cold weather to allow them to wait safely and comfortably.

### **Find Out Immediately**

Below are ways to find out if school will be delayed or closed:

- Some Seattle-based radio stations and most Seattle area (Channels 4, 5, 7 and 13) television stations provide school information on a continuing basis beginning around 6 a.m. Since conditions vary from one district to another, it is very important to listen for mention of Skykomish School District #404.
- Emergency Message System FlashAlert.net <http://www.flashalert.net/id/SkykomishSD>. Subscribe to receive FlashAlert messages from Skykomish School District. Please use any browser other than Internet Explorer.
- Look under the **News & Updates** section of the District Homepage <http://skykomish.wednet.edu/>
- Skykomish School District Information Line 360-677-2623. This phone is usually manned by 6:30AM.

**If Skykomish is mentioned, one of the following situations will be announced:**

- **The school is closed:** No buses will operate.
- **The school is operating on a one or two-hour delay:** School and buses will run exactly 1 or 2 hours later than normal.
- **Snow Routes/Stops in Effect:** The designated snow stop for our Index pick-up and those students on the North side of the tracks in Baring will be the Baring Store. The “Snow Routes in Effect” message will be sent out via our alert system in Index is closed or on a two hour late start and/or if there is heavy snow in Baring.

**Emergency/Inclement Weather Make-Up Days**

If emergency/inclement weather school closures occur, make-up days will be added to the end of the school year.