



# EAST PALESTINE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear East Palestine Parents and Guardians:

Now that winter is upon us, we would like to explain our emergency closing procedure so that everyone is prepared. If the weather is severe or if we need to close school due to emergency situations, closings will be broadcasted on local radio stations and major television networks. Youngstown television channels (21, 27 and 33) and Clear Channel Radio stations will publicize East Palestine closing or delay information. Every attempt will be made to publicize the closing or delay on TV and radio by 6:00 a.m. In addition, phone calls will be made to all homes listed as the primary contact. If you did not receive an all-call in November, you should contact the building level secretaries to determine which number we have listed as your primary.

If school is in session, it is highly unlikely that we will ever close early. If hazardous weather develops during the course of the day, we may release buses 10-15 minutes early in an effort to remain on schedule.

In the event of poor early morning weather conditions, we may delay school for two hours. In this case, the school starting times and transportation pick-up times are adjusted two hours later than the regular school day. Students are not to be at the school until two hours after their normal start times because there will not be supervision available. The school day will still end at the normal time. If you need to plan for child care during "snow days," please consider planning for a two hour delay, a full day, and the possibility of a two hour delay becoming a full day closing.

Weather patterns in northeastern Ohio are often unpredictable as to their location and persistence. If you believe the weather is too extreme for your child to attend school, you may keep your child home. Please send a note with your child and he/she will be excused.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to call.

Educationally,

Traci Hostetler  
Superintendent