

## Lowell Inclement Weather Procedures

If there is any change in the Lowell School District schedule due to inclement weather, either the closing of school or a delay in the start of school, the staff will do their best to have that information out by 6:30am.

**You can find information regarding the delay or closure of school on:**

**District Website:** A notice will be posted on this website's homepage at [www.lowell.k12.or.us](http://www.lowell.k12.or.us)

**District Social Media:** Lowell School District Facebook Page and @ LowellSchool on Twitter

**Local News Media:** local news stations will share closure or delay information on their websites and broadcasts (KEZI, KVAL, KMTR)

**How we make the decision:**

If snow or ice is predicted, staff monitor radar and forecasts and then take to the road between 5:00am and 6:00am to assess travel conditions on bus routes. The goal is to determine by 6:30am whether school will closed, on delay, or operating as usual. Occasionally, the district will call for a delay and then determine that the conditions have become more severe and then cancel school.

**After-School Activities:**

If schools are closed due to hazardous weather conditions, all after-school activities are cancelled, including athletic events, school events, band & choir events, practices and building rentals. This also includes all charter school activities.

**Additional information:**

The Lowell School District will also use the "auto-dialer" system to call families and let them know if school is cancelled or on a delay. If weather conditions cause phone outages, you are unable to receive calls, or your information has changed with the school, these calls may not reach you. It is always best to confirm information with one of the other information outlets if you are unsure.

No news means no change! If you don't hear any information about Lowell School District through the auto dialer, local news sites, the website or social media, you can assume that schools and buses are operating on their normal schedules. **However, the decision of whether to send your child to school is always left to each parent. If you do not feel that it is safe to transport your child to school, contact the school to let them know.**