

EMERGENCY CLOSING OF SCHOOLS

In the event of the emergency closing of a school, unless otherwise instructed, head caretakers will open and maintain school buildings as on any regular school day.

If the schools are not to be opened in the morning, radio and television stations will be contacted to broadcast the announcement.

Each September, schools with Early and Middle Years students shall be responsible to prepare and circulate to parents, guardians and alternate hosts a procedure for the release of students during a school emergency. This may include the design and use of a telephone tree of parents, guardians and alternate hosts as an alternate means of advising parents in the event of an emergency. No Early or Middle Years student shall be allowed to return home during the school day because of a school emergency without contact being made with the parent, guardian or an alternate adult host. In the event of an emergency requiring the school to be evacuated, schools shall arrange for an alternate host site for students who remain at school.

In the event school is cancelled for a day or the decision is made to hold the students until dismissal time or later, the Division will cancel all after-school and evening meetings, activities, community classes, etc. In addition the Division will cancel all afternoon kindergarten classes.

In the event of school closure, unless otherwise announced, employees are expected to make a conscientious effort to get to their workplaces within reasonable safety limits. This may involve car pooling, using public transportation or arriving late.

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