

INCLEMENT WEATHER

Throughout the winter months, there is an increased possibility of school disruptions due to inclement weather. Nebo School District will be open and functioning normally throughout the winter unless parents/employees are notified otherwise.

The decision to cancel or delay the start of school is a very difficult, complicated process. Nebo School District is considered a large district covering over 1,300 square miles. Conditions in one area of the district can be very different from conditions in another part of the district. Weather is unpredictable, and can change quickly.

On occasion, weather may be so extreme the district may close schools or implement a Delayed Start. Unfortunately, experience has taught us that there is no single decision that will accommodate the desires of every patron and employee. That being the case, Nebo District is supportive of individual decisions regarding safe travel during inclement weather. Please evaluate your individual situation regarding travel to school. The option to keep children home when weather conditions are severe is always at the parents' discretion and schools have been asked to respect and honor parent decisions. Students who are kept home by a parent or guardian will not be penalized for their absence or tardiness. Make-up schoolwork may be necessary, but schools will accommodate students on the timely completion of required assignments or tests.

The following information may be helpful for individuals with questions regarding inclement weather days.

1. Inclement Weather Decisions

Inclement weather decisions will be made by approximately 6:30 a.m. on the day of the event. Decisions and action plans are for one school day only.

2. Snow Day or Delayed Start

If the weather is overly severe, a Snow Day or Delayed Start may be implemented. If this happens, parents/employees will be notified. If a Delayed Start is implemented, schools will start exactly two hours later than their regular start time. (As an example, a school regularly starting at 8:00 a.m. will start at 10:00 a.m. A regular bus pick-up at 7:15 a.m. will be at 9:15 a.m.) During a delayed start AM Kindergarten, AM Preschool and AM ALC will be cancelled.

3. Delayed Start on an Early Out Day (Teacher Collaboration Day). If a delayed start is implemented during an early out day, the early out schedule will be cancelled and school will run on a regular schedule.

4. Phone, Email, and Text Messages

Nebo School District will send notifications regarding inclement weather decisions via phone, email and text. It is important that parents/employees have updated personal contact information available so effective communication can occur.

5. Announcement posted on Nebo District Website – www.nebo.edu

An announcement concerning an inclement weather decision will be posted on the district website. Specific information about each school can be found by clicking the *School Closure Status* link on the main page.

6. Hotline

Parents can call the Nebo District hotline at 801-354-7498 for updated information regarding inclement weather.

7. Media Announcements

Local media outlets will be contacted and informed of school closure status

8. Social Media Announcements

Notifications will be posted on social media pages.

9. Bus Stops

On inclement weather days, buses may be running late due to road conditions or traffic delays. Please watch for email, phone, or text messages regarding specific delayed bus routes.

10. Employee Expectations

Even though the district has declared a “Delayed Start” for students and schools, the expectation is that employees will arrive at their schools/departments at their regular contract time, or as soon as they can safely arrive.

11. Make-up Days

State law requires each district to have 180 days of instruction. For each Snow Day taken, the day must be made up later in the school year. Parents/employees will be notified in advance of the make-up day(s). Delayed start days do not need to be made up.

Dealing with inclement weather can be a frustrating experience for everyone. If you have any ideas or suggestions that you feel might help improve our process, we would love to hear from you. Please feel free to contact us at question-comment@nebo.edu. Thank you.