

SCHOOL CLOSINGS AND CANCELLATIONS

The Bangor School Committee authorizes the Superintendent to cancel or close school(s) for the day, delay opening, or dismiss school(s) early in the event of severe weather, hazardous travel conditions, or other emergencies which present threats to the safety of students and staff. Decisions to close school for the day should be made no later than 6:00 a.m.

When school is closed for the day or dismissed early, all after-school and evening school-sponsored activities and community use of school facilities will be cancelled or postponed. Exceptions may be made for Adult Education, building rentals for adults, and high-school athletic competitions if travel conditions are safe. Exceptions must be approved by the Superintendent or designee by 1:00 p.m. and will be communicated to participants and their families.

Notice of closing or cancellation shall be given to students and parents by means of an alert system. Such notice shall be given sufficiently in advance of the school session in order to avoid confusion and inconvenience.

When school is in session, it remains the responsibility of parents to decide whether or not their children shall attend school under the existing conditions.

Storm days lost in excess of the number provided for in the school year calendar will be made up by conducting classes on the weekend, rescheduling or shortening scheduled vacation periods or postponing the close of the school year, as determined by the Bangor School Committee.

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