Severe Weather Information

As winter weather approaches, we want to remind parents/guardians, students, and staff of the North Vancouver School District's winter weather procedures and announcements.

All schools in the North Vancouver School District will remain OPEN, if at all possible during winter weather, including snowfalls. Any district-wide closure will be decided by 6:30 a.m. at the latest and will be announced through the media, as well as placed on the school district website and schools' websites. We will also send parents a message via SchoolMessenger and staff will receive notification via email.

Information about any district-wide closures will be sent to Metro Vancouver radio and television stations. Please check the following stations for school closure information:

CBC AM 690 radio
CHMB AM 1320 radio
CHMJ AM 730 (Traffic) radio
CHQM FM 103.5 radio
CFBT FM 94.5 radio
CKNW AM 980 radio
CKWX News AM 1130 radio
Global TV
CBC TV
City TV
BC-CTV
Fairchild TV

The North Vancouver School District will use SchoolMessenger to contact parents/guardians in the event of an Emergency Release of students during the school day. Individual school closures or delayed start due to unique circumstances (e.g., power outages) will be announced as early as possible through SchoolMessenger and the school's website.

Student safety is our first priority and a shared responsibility. Parents/guardians are responsible for their child's safe travel to school. If for any reason a parent/guardian feels that a child cannot travel safely to school, they should make other arrangements for their child. Students will not be penalized for absences due to severe weather conditions. The decision to attend school is the responsibility of each family.

Parents/guardians are encouraged to establish an emergency plan for their children in the event that schools are closed, the school's start time is delayed, or students are dismissed early. This is a reminder that all students need to dress warmly and appropriately for winter weather conditions.

At this time, we encourage you to review your own preparations for winter weather and ensure that you are familiar with your municipality's snow and ice response procedures. We request that you strictly adhere to parking restrictions in and around all North Vancouver schools. Your child's school will contact you about any changes to driving routes that may be put into effect on streets adjacent to the school.

With your co-operation and adherence to winter weather procedures, we can help achieve safe conditions for students travelling to and from school. Please put safety first.