



MSD of Martinsville

Central Education Center

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As we begin a busy season of school and holiday activities, I would like to make you aware of our procedures and communication plan concerning the possibility of inclement weather:

- Weather decisions are made by our team who monitor conditions closely.
- When determining a delay, early dismissal or cancellation of school, countywide weather conditions are reviewed. In addition, we utilize the National Weather Service website @ www.nws.noaa.gov/om/cold/wind_chill.shtml

Communication

Before school, a decision will be made by 5:30 AM and communicated to you and your family in the following ways:

1. Staff/ parents will be notified through an all-call using School Messenger. (Telephone numbers are generated from our Skyward database. At your convenience, please check Skyward to ensure your telephone number is up-to-date for this academic year.)
2. Communication will be added to the district's website and social media accounts: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, MSD of Martinsville
3. Communication will be sent to the following radio and TV stations: WCBK, WISH 8, WRTV-6, WTHR-13, Fox-59.
4. This information can also be found on our website, <https://www.msdoformartinsville.org/safety/>.

Early Dismissal

As weather conditions in our area can change quickly, an early dismissal may be necessary. We will make a decision concerning dismissal as early as possible then call parents through School Messenger and communicate information to our website, social media and local media.

I encourage you as a family to develop a weather plan. For example, if parents or guardians work, where should your child go if there is an early dismissal or a two-hour delay?

I hope this information is helpful as we work together planning for inclement weather events. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Eric Bowlen
Superintendent