

Weather Delay Schedule for Identified Schools

In an effort to increase student safety during winter months, Denver Public Schools would like to remind you of its Weather Delay Schedule for identified schools. **This schedule will delay schools that start at or after 8:30 a.m. for one hour. All other schools will proceed with their normal schedule.**

Your family is receiving this information because your student's school may be impacted by the Weather Delay Schedule. For a full list of identified schools, visit weather.dpsk12.org.

The purpose of the Weather Delay Schedule is to provide school buses additional time to pick up students and reduce student wait time in severe weather. The decision to close or delay school will be made by the Superintendent based on information provided by representatives from the DPS Transportation Services, transportation agencies and the weather bureau.



If DPS schools are on a Weather Delay Schedule:

- Morning school buses will run the delay schedule and begin pickups at bus stops one hour later than the normal pick-up time. (Example: If your morning school bus pick-up time is 7:55 a.m., your bus will pick-up at 8:55 a.m.)
- Students walking, biking, carpooling or taking RTD are encouraged to leave home one hour later than they would normally leave for school. (Example: If student leaves home at 7:45 a.m. for school, he/she would now depart at 8:45 a.m. to arrive on time to school.)
- ECE and kindergarten: Morning (AM) kindergarten will not be canceled. They will run in accordance with the delay. Afternoon (PM) preschool students will attend school and have bus service on their normal schedule.
- Breakfast will still be served to students as they arrive to school.



If DPS schools are closed due to severe weather:

- Transportation will not run any buses.
- All after-school activities, which include middle and high school sports, are canceled and transportation will not be provided for these activities.
- Please make the necessary plans for the care of your student in the event that school is canceled.



If DPS schools remain open during severe weather:

- The district will monitor the weather throughout the day to ensure student safety.
- The required transportation will be provided. However, services may be modified to ensure bus driver and student safety.
- Traffic conditions may require students to spend additional time in route to school, special activities, programs or at home.
- If severe weather begins during the school day, a decision may be made regarding early dismissal.
- Bus routes will run in the same order as normally followed in the afternoon. Depending on conditions, arrival times at home may vary.
- After-school activities (athletic events, enrichment programs, etc.) may be modified or canceled as a result of the weather conditions.



Stay informed:

In the event of inclement weather, district officials will make the decision by 5 a.m. If the decision is made to close or delay school, local television and radio stations will be notified immediately and broadcast regular announcements of school closures or delays. You can also visit the thedenverchannel.com, 9News.com, kdvr.com and denver.cbslocal.com. Notifications in Spanish will be made on radio newscasts on 1150-AM, 1280-AM and 1090-AM.

Weather.dpsk12.org - Emergency school closures or weather delays will be posted on here and on transportation.dpsk12.org.

Social Media - Announcements to close or delay school will also be posted to [Facebook.com/DenverPublicSchools](https://www.facebook.com/DenverPublicSchools), as well as @DPSnewsnow and @DPSschoolbus on Twitter.

Hotlines - A message denoting the closure or late start will also be left on the school district's closure hotline at 720-423-3200, as well as on the DPS Transportation hotline at 720-423-4600.

Bus Bulletin - Bus Bulletin is an electronic notification program that contacts parents of transportation-eligible students with information regarding their student's yellow school bus service. Parents will be notified via text message, email and/or voice mail when buses are running more than 10 minutes late due to an emergency or weather delay. For more information visit transportation.dpsk12.org/bus-bulletin.



Bus Notifications

If you have a student who rides the school bus, be sure to sign up for Bus Bulletin provided by DPS Transportation Services. This new service allows the district to notify you of real-time information and updates about your student's bus service. Parents will be notified when buses are running more than 10 minutes late by text message, email and/or voice notifications.

Bus Bulletin Benefits:

- There is no cost for this service.
- Parents and schools will receive notifications on service delays via text message, phone call and/or email.
- All student information is kept confidential and secure and will not be shared.

Access to Bus Bulletin:

Parents of transportation-eligible students will automatically be enrolled to receive voice notifications and email notifications from Bus Bulletin, based on the phone number and email address provided when the student was registered for school.

How to Update Bus Bulletin Settings or Opt-Out of the Service:

- Step 1
 - Log into Parent Portal at myportal.dpsk12.org.
 - If you don't have a Parent Portal account, please visit MyPortal.dpsk12.org and click on Getting Started to sign up.
- Step 2
 - Once logged in, click the Transportation icon on the left side navigation and then click on the Bus Bulletin tab. This will automatically log you into the Bus Bulletin website.
- Step 3
 - On the "Welcome Information" page, click on "Proceed to Your Account" and take a moment to revise how Bus Bulletin notifies you (email/text message/voice notification) or opt-out of the service. By opting-out of the service, you will no longer be notified of service delays by Bus Bulletin.
- Step 4
 - Be sure to update your language preferences for notifications and add any additional phone numbers and email addresses you would like to receive notifications.
 - To add a new number, click "Add Phone Number" and select if you would like to be notified by text message or voice notification.
 - To add a new email, click "Add Email Address."
 - Language settings can be changed by clicking the language drop down menu. Language preferences include English or Spanish.

*Note: Updating your information in Bus Bulletin will NOT change your information in Infinite Campus or the Parent Portal. If you don't have access to the Parent Portal, update your information by contacting your school front office.