

WINTER WEATHER INFO

With the winter season comes questions about what to expect regarding school operations in the event of inclement weather. Here's what you need to know.

Expect to attend school on time for each of the scheduled days on the 2018-19 MCPS calendar.

If you have not heard any information, then proceed with the understanding that school is following the set schedule at a normal starting time.

If there is a decision to alter the school schedule—by either canceling the school day or offering a delay to the start of the school day—an announcement will be posted on several MCPS communications channels and the local media will be notified. As soon as a decision is made, announcements will also be posted on the front page of the MCPS Website, Twitter at @MCPSchools, the official MCPS Facebook page, and the mobile app. Families will also receive a call, email and text notifying them of the decision.

Weather can be predicted hours or days ahead of time, and the forecast is one factor that is weighed by district personnel. The decision to alter the calendar is based on what conditions exist at that time in neighborhoods and main thoroughfares, and student safety is always the most important factor.

