

WEATHER-RELATED SCHOOL CLOSING PROCEDURES

In an effort to quickly notify parents, students, and staff of school closings or delays due to inclement weather conditions, GEVS will utilize an automated calling system. In order for the system to work effectively and efficiently, **please be certain that the phone number/s on record with the school are correct. You can select up to two phone numbers (preferably home and cell phone numbers) for use during an emergency or routine notification.** If your device is text enabled, you will also receive a text alert.

In addition to the automated calling system, GEVS will also be notifying parents/students/staff via radio and television stations whenever inclement weather causes unsafe road conditions for the transportation of students to school. The opening of school may be delayed until road conditions improve or school may be closed for the day if severe weather continues. As soon as the decision is made to delay or close school, the information will be given to the following local and Cincinnati radio and television stations for announcement:

WLW/TV CH 5	WXIX/TV CH 19
WCPO/TV CH 9	WSTR/TV CH 64
WKRC/TV CH 12	CINCL.COM

Whenever possible, delays or closings will be announced prior to the buses beginning their morning routes. The superintendent, principals and transportation supervisor will be busy contacting staff and request that you not call their homes or the schools for information. Listen for announcements on the radio and television stations listed above even after you receive a call from the automated calling system.

Parents are requested to discuss with their children what arrangements have been made in the event that weather conditions require school to be dismissed early. It is especially important for young children to know what to do if no one is at home when school is dismissed. The automated calling system and the media notifications will be used to notify parents if school must be dismissed early due to inclement weather.