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## EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSINGS AND DELAYS

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1. In the event of a school delay or closing due to inclement weather, notifications will be made by 6:00 a.m. via the Mass Notification System. Parents/guardians are asked to make sure they have provided the appropriate contact information to their child's school to ensure proper notification. Announcements will also be posted on the division website, SCS-TV (local cable channel 13) and on the Staunton City Schools' Facebook page.

**It will not be announced if schools are operating on regular schedule. This is assumed if no announcement is made.**

2. Inclement weather and school closing information may also be monitored on the following radio stations, TV stations:

- WTON 1240 AM
- WKDW 900 AM
- STAR 94.3 FM
- WQPO 100.7FM
- WKCY 104.3 FM
- WHSV TV CH 3
- WVIR TV CH 4

3. Announcements will normally be made in the morning and will only be made the night before if the weather is severe and a determination can be made in advance.
4. When there is a one- or two-hour delay, parents/guardians should arrange to get their child to school or to meet the bus one or two hours later than usual. Principals have been directed to keep school doors closed until the appropriate delayed time to allow for the arrival of teachers and staff to provide for supervision of students in the buildings. (For example, if a school normally opens its doors at 7:30 a.m. and there is a two-hour delay, the opening time will be 9:30 a.m.)
5. Should there be a need for a one- or two-hour emergency early dismissal due to inclement weather, notifications will be made via the Mass Notification System, with the information being provided to the local radio and TV stations as well. An early dismissal means that buses will pick up children at each school either one hour or two hours earlier than the normal dismissal time. Parent/guardians are asked to have an alternate plan in place for a friend, neighbor, or relative to care for their child when these emergency dismissals occur.