

WEATHER AND EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Cancellations/Snow Days or Delays:

Because of our broad geographical student base, NSCA school delays or school cancellations, due to bad weather, will be determined by Academy School District 20. NSCA will close in conjunction with D20. In all cases of bad weather, parents should exercise their own judgment whether to have their child in school. In cases of delays due to bad weather, all tardies and absences will be excused.

Academy School District 20's School Closure/Delay Policy:

School Closures and Delays Standards for Weather Decisions

When bad weather conditions occur, either a school closure or a delayed schedule may be announced. Local radio and television stations will be advised no later than 5:15 a.m. Information will also be available on the D20 website and the school website.

District Process and Considerations for Closures or Delays

The District 20 Transportation Department considers the following factors in making any weather-related decision:

- Snow Accumulation
- Road Conditions
- Ability to Access Buildings
- Weather Conditions
- Temperature
- Visibility
- Wind-Chill
- Weather Forecast

In addition, the District 20 Transportation Department performs the following:

- Receives up-to-the-minute weather updates from local weather consultants.
- Consults with El Paso County and the City of Colorado Springs regarding their road sanding plans.
- Exchanges vital weather information and road conditions with neighboring school districts.
- Consults with the U.S. Air Force Academy to determine if they are going to delay or close.
- Has staff members drive on district streets between 2:30 A.M. and 3:45 A.M. to inspect road conditions.

Emergency Drills:

Students must learn all emergency procedures and instructions given by the NSCA staff. NSCA will conduct required emergency drills to ensure that the school community will respond to an emergency safely and effectively. Teachers will instruct students regarding the posted procedures for their classroom and the school building, including specific instructions for safe primary and secondary exits. The response to all drills is to be prompt, quiet, orderly, and disciplined. Full cooperation is necessary for the proper execution of these drills, and students are to remember that their welfare is our sole purpose for practicing them.