Cairo-Durham
CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Cairo-Durham families,

Winter is coming, and with it comes snow, ice and wind. The Cairo-Durham Central School District would like to remind students, staff and families about how the District will handle weather-related closures and delays in the 2026-27 school year.

Please remember that the geographic terrain throughout our District varies greatly. While it may seem like it is only raining in one town, the mountain areas could be experiencing heavy snowfall and/or icy road conditions. Our Transportation Department closely monitors conditions throughout the District in the event of inclement weather.

Weather-related closures

Schools will be closed when snow or hazardous road conditions make travel unsafe. There will be no classes on these snow days. Additionally, all school activities may be canceled when school is closed, including child care.

Weather-related delays

When our Transportation Department needs extra time to prepare due to overnight weather conditions, the District will use a two-hour delay. In this scenario, breakfast will not be served at the elementary school. Breakfast will be served at the Middle School / High School.

Two-hour delay

All schools begin two hours later than usual and dismiss at the regular time.

- HS/MS: 9:30 a.m.
- Elementary: 11:00 a.m.
- No AM Half-Day Pre-K
- No AM BOCES CTE Programs

Additional details

If school is canceled or delayed, the Special Education Department will cancel all CSE meetings and will send a notice of rescheduled meetings to families who are impacted by these changes.

Weather-related early dismissal

If inclement weather requires the District to close early, all after-school and evening activities will be canceled. The time of dismissal will be dependent on the severity of the conditions and would be communicated as efficiently as possible.

How Cairo-Durham CSD communicates weather-related closures

Cancellations, delays, or early dismissals will be posted on the school district's website: www.cairodurham.org.

For District parents and staff, closing information will be sent directly to you via email, text message, and robo call.

School closings are also announced on the following local TV and radio stations: Channel 6, Spectrum, NEWS10, FOX23, WGNA (107.7 FM), WGY (810 AM), as well as https://www.timesunion.com/. We will also post closings and delays on the District's Facebook page.

Please note that power outages and other situations may affect the District's ability to send electronic notifications, or your ability to receive them. If there is inclement weather, check all of the above sources of information for delays or closures.

Sincerely,

Dr. Dotan Schips

Superintendent of Schools

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