



# APPOMATTOX COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

*Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow  
Every Raider, Every Day*

Jason S. Tibbs, Ed. D.  
DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT

TO: Parents and/or Guardians  
FROM: Jason S. Tibbs, Ed. D.  
Division Superintendent

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DATE: August 19, 2025

## School Closing and Emergency Information

In bad weather and other emergencies, Appomattox County Public Schools (ACPS) notifies parents and staff about the status of school schedules in several ways. We utilize the following TV and radio stations:

WDBJ TV 7  
WSLS TV 10  
WSET TV 13  
NBC 12 Richmond  
WFXR

***We also use our division webpage, our mobile app, and an automated communication system to deliver phone calls and text messages regarding the status of school delays and closings.***

This system calls all phone numbers you have registered at your child's school. Should your phone numbers change, please log into your parent portal website and choose the link in the lower left titled Year-Round Update and update your phone number for your student(s). Text messages can only be delivered to parents/guardians who have completed the opt-in process. Please visit our division website for more information.

It would be ideal to be able to notify all parents and staff the night before a weather event occurs so childcare plans could be made early, however, in many cases that is not possible. We use various information sites that predict and track weather events. In the winter, staff go out into several areas of the county to check road conditions when a snow/ice event occurs. We do our best to make a decision to close or delay by 5:30 a.m. There may be times when there is frozen precipitation in one area of the county and not all areas. In those situations, we must close the entire school division as we must take into consideration all county roads on which our buses and students travel.

On days that we have put out a notification of a two-hour delay and the road conditions do not improve significantly before buses must leave for their route, we may have to move from a two-hour delay to a closed status. We will put out all notifications as soon as possible when this situation occurs.

Should any threatening weather conditions develop once school has begun, we will close schools as quickly as possible to get students home safely.

The safety of our students and staff is very important to us. We take these decisions very seriously and exercise caution when transporting the children of Appomattox County Public Schools.