GISA Procedures for Delays and Cancellations

'Tis the season for school delays and cancellations. Most of the time, all schools are doing the same thing (delay, close, etc.). The purpose of this document is to attempt to outline procedures, in the rare occurrence that districts are **not** doing the same thing. Remember, any time that you have a question regarding transportation (bussing), you should direct those questions to your district of residence's transportation department.

Our Delay / Closing announcements will be sent to entire GISA community through our Thrillshare platform (text). We will make every effort to put out any delay / closing announcement as early as we can.

We will also have our delay / closing announcements in the following locations:

- GISA's website – www.globalimpactacademy.org
- GISA's app – if you don't have this yet, search GISA, OH in the App Store or Google Play Store
- Local news channels
- GISA's Facebook

School Delays

- If GISA is **delayed** and other districts are not, then those districts *may* run their normal morning routes, and *may* provide transportation to GISA at the normal time. If that is the case, we will have staff members here to supervise students that arrive at the normal time, until we begin our 2-hour delay schedule at 9:45. Questions regarding transportation specifics need to be directed to your district of residence.

- If GISA is **not delayed** and other districts are, and thus students don't have transportation from their district of residence to arrive at GISA on time (7:45), then we encourage families to make *other* arrangements to get their student(s) to GISA on time. However, if a student cannot get to GISA on time (7:45) because of lack of transportation from their district of residence, their absence from GISA will not be counted against them (provided we get a call from parents about the absence). If students miss some, or all of the day, they are encouraged to get on our LMS to complete as much work as possible.

School Cancellations

- If GISA is **closed**, and other districts are not, obviously there is no concern.

- If GISA is **not closed** and other districts are, and thus students don't have transportation from their district of residence, then we encourage families to make *other* arrangements to get their student(s) to GISA on time. However, if a student cannot get to GISA because of lack of transportation from their district of residence, their absence from GISA will not be counted against them (provided we get a call from parents about the absence). If students miss some, or all day, they are encouraged to get on our LMS to complete as much work as possible.

When we are delayed, classes at the Upper Academy campus will start at 9:35 and at the South Limestone campus at 9:45.

Regarding CCP classes on local university campuses - we will do our best to communicate delay/closing situations with those universities. We encourage those students to monitor the website of those universities, as well as check in with their instructors on Blackboard, or whatever the LMS is being used by the university. CCP courses taught by GISA instructors, in Clark State's building will follow whatever delay / closing schedule that GISA is on. However, if Clark State is open and GISA is closed, all the other CCP courses, taught by Clark State faculty, will be held following Clark State's schedule.