

Inclement Weather

Bus Cancellations and School Closures

When weather conditions are severe or forecast is calling for an extreme amount of snow or slippery road conditions, it may become necessary to cancel transportation and/or close schools.



1:00 - 3:00 AM

Monitoring weather forecasts.



4:00 - 5:00 AM

School bus operators are driving along routes to assess conditions of the roads.



5:00 - 5:30 AM

HSTS and school bus operators review driver reports and gather weather reports from Environment Canada to determine if school buses will run that day.



By 6:00 AM

HSTS informs the Directors of Education at both the HCDSB and HDSB about the decision to cancel student transportation. The Directors then determine if schools should be closed.



6:00 - 6:30 AM

A decision is shared no later than 6:30 AM.

How are Decisions to Cancel Transportation and Close Schools Communicated?



Email to parents



@hcdsb



@HCDSB_Official



hcdsb.org



School websites



TV and Radio

FM Radio Stations:

CHFI 98.1 FM, WAVE 94.7 FM, Y108/107.9 FM,
95.3 FRESH FM, 102.9 KLITE FM, CBC/CBLT 99.1 FM,
CIMJ 106.1 FM

AM Radio Stations:

CFRB 1010 AM, CHML 900 AM, CKOC 1150 AM,
CJOY 1460AM, ZOOMER RADIO AM 740,
AM 680NEWS

Tv Stations:

CHTV (Morning Show),
CITY TV (Breakfast Television),
CP 24

What if the Weather Conditions Deteriorate During the School Day?

- Throughout the day, we continue to monitor the weather and share updates on program cancellations as they are determined.
- When weather deteriorates during the day while students are at school, transportation services will maintain their regular schedule.
- The Directors of Education may decide to send students home early, in consultation with HSTS.
- If this becomes necessary, schools will dismiss students in accordance with the direction provided by parents on the Family Information Package – School Emergency Closure.

More Information

- [HCDSB Procedure — Inclement Weather - Transportation Cancellations & Emergency Closures VI - 47](#)
- [HSTS Procedure — HS-4-006 Inclement Weather Transportation Cancellations](#)
- [HSTS Procedure — HS-4-007 - School Closure](#)