

When is school closed due to weather?

When the weather is bad, North Heights Christian Academy follows a set of guidelines for deciding if school will be open or closed.

The school must make a decision that is the best for all students & staff. We realize, at times, our decisions may not fit with your individual circumstances. Therefore, we encourage and strongly support you in making the decision that is best for your child(ren). You are always the best judge of your child's health and safety.

What is the process for deciding when schools are open or closed due to excessive temperatures, snow and/or ice?

School Administration monitors the weather conditions as they become available.

We generally align with the decisions of District 623 and surrounding districts, we aim to make the decision whether to close in a timely manner, and then communicate this decision to all local news outlets, to our community through our website, social media outlets and Jupiter email system.

How you can find out if schools are closed?

On days when the weather is bad or if temperatures are excessive, listen to the local radio and tv stations or review their websites for information about school closings.

Local Stations for weather closings:

Kare 11

WCCO

KSTP

Fox 9

You can also check our website and social media channels.

When schools are closed, are all activities canceled?

When North Heights Christian Academy is closed for the day, it also means that all activities scheduled in school buildings for that day are canceled. This includes all after school programs/ sports/ activities.

Why are school starts not delayed on days when the weather is bad but will improve during the day?

In many of our families, adults working outside the home are not able to adjust their work schedules or find childcare to accommodate a later start. If your family transports your child(ren) to school, we appreciate the extra effort it takes on severe weather days and we acknowledge that the students' arrival might be somewhat delayed.

For every family that is happy school is in session on days when the weather is bad, there is another family that feels schools should be closed. The decision to open or close schools during inclement weather brings out some of the strongest community reactions – no matter which way we go with our weather decisions. Since District 623 supplies the majority of our transportation to and from school, we generally align our decisions with that of District 623.

We appreciate your understanding of the difficulties in making this decision, and your support in helping your child get to school safely on winter roads. Please know that we will use safety considerations in making all of our weather decisions.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.