

Fair Lawn Public Schools

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Dear Parents, Students, Faculty:

With the unpredictable fall and winter season approaching, we wish to once again inform you about the process of notification we will use if schools are to be closed, a delayed opening, or early dismissal.

Decisions to keep schools open, delay the opening time, or close schools for the entire day, must be made by 5:45 a.m. in order to make appropriate transportation arrangements and give timely notification. Thus, decisions are based on what is known and anticipated no later than 5:30 A.M.

Due to time requirements established by the State Department of Education, it is necessary to have a minimum of four hours of instruction on a daily basis. In order to accommodate this directive, the **delayed opening and early dismissal inclement weather schedules** are as follows:

90 MINUTE DELAYED OPENING SCHEDULE

Lunch will be served on Delayed Opening Days

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Staff	10:05 a.m.
Students	10:10 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Staff	9:45 a.m.
Students	9:55 a.m. - 2:51 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL

Staff	9:15 a.m.
Students	9:25 a.m. - 2:40 p.m.

EDISON PRE-SCHOOL

Staff	9:55 a.m.
AM Students	10:10 a.m. -11:40 a.m.
PM Students	12:30 p.m. -3:00 p.m.

EDISON FLEX I and II

Staff	9:55 a.m.
Students	10:10 a.m.-2:45 p.m.

EDISON STEPPING STONES

Staff	9:55 a.m.
Students	10:10 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

ALL OTHER PERSONNEL

(Custodians, Grounds Crew, Maintenance, Bus Drivers) Regular Time

over

EARLY DISMISSAL - INCLEMENT WEATHER SCHEDULE

Lunch will be served on early dismissal inclement weather days

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	12:45 p.m.
MIDDLE SCHOOL	12:30 p.m.
HIGH SCHOOL	12:25 p.m.
EDISON PRE-SCHOOL	
AM Session	8:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
PM Session	CANCELED
EDISON FLEX I and II	8:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.
EDISON STEPPING STONES	8:35 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

When a decision is made to have a **delayed opening/early dismissal or close schools for the entire day**, parents and staff will be notified by the Superintendent through our telephone community notification service, "School Messenger." This call will be made before 7:00 a.m.

School closing/delayed opening announcements will be made on the following stations:

Radio Stations: **WOR (AM710) and WINS (AM1010)**
Cablevision: **Channel 12**
Television: **Channels 2, 4, 5, 7, and 11**
 Verizon FiOS1 News
FAIR LAWN SCHOOLS WEBSITE: fairlawnschools.org

IMPORTANT NOTES

- ☞ **DO NOT CALL THE FAIR LAWN POLICE DEPARTMENT.**
- ☞ It will be the general practice to keep schools open if at all possible and reasonable. Parents must exercise their own good judgement as to whether or not they send their children to school when schools are kept open during inclement weather.
- ☞ We try ***not to*** close early for inclement weather once children have reported to school except under extraordinary circumstances.

If you have any questions regarding the above modified schedule, please contact my office at (201) 794-5500 x7090.

Yours truly,


Dr. Ernest Palestis,
Interim Superintendent of Schools

c: Board of Education
Chief, Glenn Cauwels, Fair Lawn Police
Wendy Demeraski, Emergency Management