



Melrose-Mindoro School District

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

As winter is upon us, I would like to review our procedures for school delays, closings, and early dismissals. While we try to make every effort to conduct the regular school day as scheduled we do not want to put our students and staff in harm's way.

Decisions to close school are made based on the best information we have early in the morning or during the school day. We want to make a late start or closing decision as early as possible knowing parents may have to make childcare arrangements for the day. If we do start school late or cancel the entire day, we try to make the decision no later than 6:00 a.m. If we decide to close school for the day or have an early release, please keep in mind that ALL after school practices and activities are cancelled.

When there is a need to start late, close for the day, or release early, the FASTEST way to receive the information is:

1. We will use the school district's Emergency Messenger to make the calls, texts, and emails. If you are not sure if you are signed up to get Emergencyh Messeanger notices from the school, please contact your child's school office.
2. Sign up for Channel 8 and Channel 13 weather alerts. They have done a great job of texting this information to subscribers of this service. Channel 19 has stopped text messaging their weather alerts. They require you to sign up for their respective smartphone application (app).
3. Watch Channels 8, 13, 19, and 25 to watch the "crawler" at the bottom of the television screen. *A very important point: they will only run this information in the "crawler" if there are 3 or more schools that make a decision to delay/close/early dismissal!* Black River Falls, Sparta, and Melrose seem to be in an area where it is unusually cold and there have been times we are the only school or Melrose-Mindoro and Black River Falls Schools decide to go late/close/dismiss early and it does not appear on the "crawler."
4. You can listen to the local radio channels as well. See the reverse side for a listing of stations and/or you can visit our school website.

I hope we have a mild winter! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Proud to be a Mustang!

Del DeBerg, Superintendent