# Iron County C-4 School District Inclement Weather Guidelines



# Here are a few reminders about inclement weather days. First and foremost: You Make the Call

You are always the best judge of your own situation and what is best for your child. The District makes our decision on what is best for all students and staff and that decision may not fit your individual situation.

#### Closing Due to Snow and Ice

Iron County C-4 School District personnel drive bus routes to check firsthand on local conditions and consult officials in neighboring school districts. Safety is always our top priority. Whether or not the conditions will be improving throughout the day is also considered.

## Wind Chill Considerations

Iron County C-4 utilizes the National Weather Service's wind chill chart as a guide when determining whether to close school due to cold temperatures. Any time the calm temperature or wind chill temperature reaches the point at which exposed skin could experience frostbite, we will consider closing school. We keep students inside when the temperature is this low, so recess doesn't play into the decision. Keep in mind the wind chard is a guideline, not a rule.

### Early Dismissal

Early dismissal is not an option we like to use unless conditions are expected to get worse throughout the day. This is primarily due to the fact that many parents work, and the children are safer at school. Please try to have a plan in place to handle late starts and early dismissal. It is helpful if your children are aware of the plan.

#### Your understanding and cooperation is appreciate

For every person who is happy with a weather-related decision, there is someone who was unhappy. We appreciate your understanding of the difficulties and the timing of our decisions. You support in helping your child get to and from school safely on winter days is sincerely appreciated.

### Inclement Weather Days

On snow and cold days, it is important that the children are properly dressed for the elements. When the schools and the parents work as a team, Transportation on these challenging days is most effective.