

INCLEMENT WEATHER INSTRUCTIONS

The following information pertains to morning WEATHER situations only. (Not school calendars).

If you have any questions please ask your child's driver or call the Tristar Transportation office at **614-430-1688**.

Inclement weather may include fog, snow, freezing rain, icy roads, cold and wind chills.

Step # 1 As a parent, you need to know the:

- Counties
- Schools
- Districts your child lives in and attends (if different)

Step # 2 Check for Snow Emergency Levels

- If a LEVEL 2 snow emergency exists:
The schools in that county should be closed.
For parents of Work Students call our office to discuss.
- IF a LEVEL 3 snow emergency exists:
All transportation in that county is cancelled (no car should be on the road).

Step # 3 Follow the news for delays and closings

When your child lives in one district (home district) but attends a school located in another district Tristar Transportation divides their home school district into 2 types:

- "No Go"
- "Go"

"No Go" districts:

- Do not allow students to be taken out of the district if they are closed.
For example, if you live in Delaware but your child attends school in Columbus, if Delaware schools are closed, your child will NOT be transported even though Columbus is open.
- Do not allow students to be taken out of the district at their regular scheduled time if they, the home district, are on a delay.
For example, if you live in Delaware but your child attends school in Columbus, if either school is on a delay, your child WILL be transported but at a later time. If the delays are two different lengths, you follow the longer one. So if your child's regular scheduled pick up time is 8:00am and the longer delay is 2 hours your child will be picked up at 10:00am. Note: this may cause your child to be "late" for their attending school.

Below is a list of the **No Go** districts:

BEXLEY
CIRCLEVILLE
CANAL WINCHESTER
DELAWARE
GROVEPORT COMMUNITY SCHOOL
GROVEPORT MADISON
HILLIARD
LOGAN ELM
MOUNT VERNON
NEWCOMERSTOWN
OLENTANGY
PICKERINGTON
PLAIN NEW ALBANY
REYNOLDSBURG
SOUTH WESTERN
TEAYS VALLEY
UPPER ARLINGTON
WESTERVILLE
WORTHINGTON

Go districts:

- Allow students to be taken out of the district if they are closed.
That means if your child attends a school in another district they MAY be transported (depending on the severity or emergency level in the home district) as long as their attending schools are open.
- Allow students to be taken out of the district at their regular scheduled time if they, the home district, are on a delay. The delay of the attending district will be followed.

Below is a list of the **Go** districts:

ARC/FCBDD
BIG WALNUT
BUCKEYE VALLEY
BUREAU VOCATIONAL REABILITATION
CROSS CREEK
COLUMBUS
CRITTENDON
DELAWARE COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
DUBLIN
FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
GAHANNA
GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS
HIGHLANDS LEARNING CENTER

LONDON
MANSFIELD
PASS
PROJECT CONNECT
STEP BY STEP
ST VINCENTS FAMILY CENTER
WORTHINGTON

Additional Situations:

AM Kindergarten & Pre-School: Usually, if the school is on a 1-hour delay, so are the am kindergarten and pre-school classes. Usually, if the school is on a 2-hour delay, the am kindergarten and pre-school classes are closed for the day.

PM Kindergarten & Pre-School: Usually the pm kindergarten & pre-schools are not affected by time delays. However, if by late morning, schools are anticipating incoming weather, they may cancel pm kindergarten & pre-school classes. Please check with the individual school.

“ESC” Classes: These are classrooms rented by the FCBMR/DD for the school year and will usually follow the same instructions as the school building they are located in.

Split-Day Schedules: Some students attend 2 different schools every day. This may mean that 2 different district policies apply. Call our office if you any questions on how to handle these conflicts.

Charter Schools, Private Schools, & Special Programs

Most independent schools will be listed by their own names for weather delays. The following list includes the programs that may NOT be listed by name.

ACT Program:	follows Columbus State
Auditory Oral Children’s Center:	follows Dublin
Briar Patch:	follows Groveport
Brookwood:	follows Columbus
C.H.A.T.A.:	follows Columbus
Citadel:	follows each student’s Bill Code
Crittenden Community School:	follows Columbus
Cross Creek:	follows Columbus
Crossroads:	follows Pickerington and/or Lancaster (County is Fairfield)

Delaware AEP (Arts Academy):	follows Delaware City (County is Delaware)
ESC of Franklin County:	follows Columbus and each student's home district
Eastland Career Center Extension Workers:	(i.e. the downtown hotels) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will not be affected by any time delays • Will be closed if <u>both</u> ECC and the Bill Code are closed
Fairfield Academy: Fairfield)	follows Pickerington (county is
Field of Dreams:	follows Gahanna
Frontier Academy:	follows Reynoldsburg
Highlands:	follows Worthington
Hamilton House:	follows Gahanna
Kessler Farms:	follows Marysville (county is Union)
Lancaster Fairfield Community School:	follows Pickerington and/or Lancaster (County is Fairfield)
Northeast School:	follows FCBMR/DD
OSSB & OSSD:	follows each student's home district (open for residential only)
OSU & CSU: Plus"	listed under "Wings, Step, Project
Pickaway County Alternative School:	follows each student's home district
Rockbridge:	follows Worthington and/or each student's
Step By Step:	home district rarely closes. Can call school 436-7837 x2 for closings
Ventures:	follows Buckeye Valley (County is Delaware)
West Central School:	follows FCBMR/DD
Wings, Step, & Project Plus:	follows Columbus and/or each student's
	home district