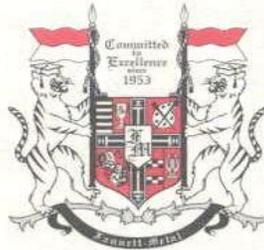


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Dear Fannett-Metal Families,

The Snow Season is quickly approaching, and I want everyone to be prepared and understand the process for altering the school day. The safety of our students and staff is always at the forefront of our decision making. The decision, to close or delay, is not an easy one and factors in multiple sources of information. The superintendent and entire administrative team track weather patterns when the threat for inclement weather begins. The National Weather Service in conjunction with the Franklin County Emergency Services Director typically warn the district as weather patterns begin to develop. At that point, multiple sources of data are collected before any decision to close, dismiss early or delay will happen. I make phone calls to PennDOT, the township supervisors, the bus contractor and neighboring school districts to assess the ability to safely transport our students to and from school each day. The local weather forecast serves as a guide to help assist in the process.

If the determination is made to delay or close school, a One Now call will go to families. I understand that the sooner I can let parents know, the better, so that childcare arrangements can occur. I will do my best to factor this into the decision-making process and give as much notice as I can.

It is important to let the district know if you need to update your cell or home phone number so, we can properly notify you of an emergency. Parents can also check on television stations ABC 27 and WGAL 8. In addition, the radio station Mix 95 will announce the change. A scrolling message will be posted to the district website and the announcement will be placed on our Fannett-Metal Facebook page. We use multiple sources to notify families to ensure the information is disseminated and received in a timely manner.

Our goal is to be in-person for instruction as much as possible but as we know mother nature often prevails and we are unable to do so. Know that I make the weather-related snow call based on the information I am given at the time, realizing that the weather patterns can change at the last moment. Feel free to contact me with questions or concerns you may have.

Thank you and stay safe this winter season.

Sincerely,

Dr. Tara Will