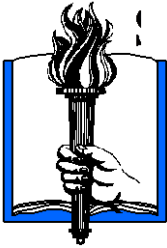


**MURFREESBORO CITY SCHOOLS
ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVES**



Descriptor Term: Emergency Closings	Descriptor No: AD STU47	Effective Date: 04/19/22
Revised:		

1 Director of Schools is authorized to close schools in the event of inclement weather or any other
2 emergency which presents a threat to the safety of students, staff members or school property.

3 As soon as the decision to close schools is made, the Director of Schools will notify the public
4 media and request that an announcement be made.

5 If school is not in session or is dismissed early due to snow or inclement weather or any other
6 emergency which presents a threat to the safety of students, the Director of Schools in
7 consultation with the principal(s) of the impacted school(s) shall determine if all scheduled
8 activities in which students are involved shall be postponed or cancelled.

9 **Arrival and Dismissal Guidelines**

10 During snow or flooding conditions, bus drivers will have discretion to only drive on roads that
11 they feel conditions are safe for travel. If the bus driver is unable to transport the student home,
12 they will be taken back to the school.

13 If there are extreme weather conditions and/or tornado warnings in the area that encompasses the
14 school, the school administrators have the discretion to stop drop off/pick up lines to allow staff
15 and students to return inside the school. If this occurs, the school will alert parents through
16 normal channels (ClassDojo, email, etc.). Should parents not feel comfortable waiting in their
17 cars, principals should allow them to come into the building to a waiting area until the weather
18 conditions improve. Dismissal or arrival will continue once the principal feels they can safely
19 return staff to outside locations.

20 During a tornado warning, buses will not leave the school until the warning is removed. If the
21 buses have left, they will return to the school or go to the nearest police or fire station until the
22 warning has been lifted. If none of the above locations is available, the driver may elect to find
23 another safe spot depending on the urgency of the situation. Parents will not be allowed to pick
24 up from alternative locations used for safe places unless a building administrator is on site to
25 facilitate dismissal.