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Guidelines for school and/or bus cancellations due to inclement weather

Nova Scotia winter weather can change quickly and can be challenging to predict. This document outlines the steps we take when deciding whether to cancel school and/or bussing.

A 6:00 am announcement could be:

- All schools are closed for the day **OR**
- Some schools (either individually or by family) are closed for the day **OR**
- All schools are open, but some or all busses are not operating for the day **OR**
- All schools are delayed in opening by 2 hours

If weather deteriorates, or is forecast to worsen throughout the morning an **11:00 am announcement could be:**

- Bussed students will be picked up 2 hours earlier than their regular dismissal time AND walking students will be dismissed at their regularly scheduled lunch hour

How does Halifax Regional Centre for Education (HRCE) decide on school and/or bus cancellations?

By 4:30 am, HRCE staff begin to gather information from:



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ዞባዊ ማእከል ትምህርት (Halifax Centre for Education)

መምርሒ ንቤት-ትምህርትን/ወይ ምስራዝ ኣውቶቡስን/ ብምኽንያት ሕማቕ ኩነታት ኣደር

ናይ ኖቫ ስኮሻያ (Nova Scotia) ኩነታት ኣደር ሓጋይ (winter) ብቅልጡፍ ክቕየር ይኽልን ንምትንባዩ ከኣ በዳሂ/ኣጸጋሚ ክኸውን ይኽእልን። እዚ ሰነድ ንትምህርትን/ወይ ንብኣውቶቡስ ምኽድ ንምስራዝ ክንውስን ከለና ንንወስዶም ስጉምታት ይዘርዘር።

ናይ ሰዓት 6:00 ቅ.ቀ. ምልክታ ከም'ዚ ዝስዕብ ክኸውን ይኽእል፦

- ኩለን ኣብያተ ትምህርት ነቲ መዓልቲ ተዓጽዮን **ወይ**
- ገለ ኣብያተ ትምህርት (ወይ ብውልቁ ወይ ብቤተ-ሰብ) ነቲ መዓልቲ ተዓጽዮን **ወይ**
- ኩለን ኣብያተ ትምህርት ክፈታት ኢዮን፣ ግን ኩለን ኣውቶቡሳት ነቲ መዓልቲ ኣይሰርሓን **ወይ**
- ኩለን ኣብያተ ትምህርት ንምኽፋት ብጊ ሰዓታት ደንጉዮን ኣለዎ

ኩነታት ኣደር ካብ ዘለዎ እናኸፍኦ እንተከይዱ፣ ወይ ከኣ ኣብ መላእ እቲ ንግሆ እናገደድ ክኸይድ ኢዩ ዝብል ትንቢት እንተሎ **ናይ ሰዓት 11 ቅ.ቀ. ምልክታ ከም'ዚ ዝስዕብ ክኸውን ይኽእል፦**

- ብኣውቶቡስ ዝመላለሱ ተማሃሮ ካብ'ቲ ምዱብ ዝፍደሱኡ ግዜ 2 ሰዓታት ኣቕዲሞም ክውሱዱ፣ ብእግሮም ዝመላለሱ ተማሃሮ ከኣ ኣብ'ቲ ብስሩዕ ንምሳኽ ግዚኦም ዝተመደበ ሰዓት ክፍደሱ ኢዮም

ናይ ሃሊፋክስ ዞባዊ ማእከል ትምህርት (HRCE) ከመይ ገይሩ ኢዩ ኣብ ልዕሊ ትምህርትን ወይ ኣውቶቡስን ምስራዝ ዝውስን?

- A contracted weather service that provides radar and satellite imagery, real time road conditions and weather warnings;
- A meteorologist who provides forecast details, level and type of precipitation and impact on road conditions;
- HRCE's transportation service providers, who provide updates on road conditions in their area;
- Municipal and provincial transportation staff; and
- Other local weather services, including Environment Canada and the Weather Network.

By 5:30 am, HRCE staff make recommendations to the Regional Executive Director (or designate), who then makes the final decision. If it is safe to have students and staff on the roads and sidewalks, then schools will be open. If not, school will be cancelled.

This decision is communicated by 6:00 am.

How Will I Find Out?

- Check our website at www.hrce.ca
- Follow us on Twitter at [Twitter.com/HRCE_NS](https://twitter.com/HRCE_NS)
- Call our information line at 902-464-INFO (4636)
- Listen to your radio (All local radio stations are informed)
- Watch the morning news on local television channels
- Sign up to receive e-mail or text message notification of cancellations
 - <https://www.hrce.ca/notifications>

What if the weather deteriorates throughout the

ኣብ ዝኹነ ግዜ ክሰብ ሰዓት 4, ሰራሕተኛታት (ስታፍ) ናይ ሃሊፋክስ ዘባዊ ማእከል ትምህርቲ (HRCE) ካብ'ዞም ዝስዕቡ ሓበሬታ ክእክቡ ይጅምሩ፡

- ካብ ናይ ራዳርን ሰተላይትን ስእሊ፣ ሓቀኛ ግዜ (real time) ኩነታት መንገድን መጠንቀቕታ ኩነታት ኣየርን ዝህብ ብዓል ኩነት-ራት ኣገልግሎት ኩነታት ኣየር፡
- ብዛዕባ ትንቢት ዝርዝራት፣ ደረጃን ዓይነትን ዝናምን ጽልውኡ ኣብ ኩነታት መንገድን ዝገልጽ መትሮሎጂስት (ተመራማሪ ኩነታት ኣየር)፡
- ኣብ ቦትኣም ብዛዕባ ኩነታት መንገዲ እዋናዊ ሓበሬታ ዝህቡ ናይ ሃሊፋክስ ዘባዊ ማእከል ትምህርቲ (HRCE's) ናይ መጉዓዚያ ውሃብቲ ኣገልግሎት፡
- ናይ ከባብን ኣውራጃውን ሰራሕተኛታት መጉዓዚያን፡
- ኣከባቢ ካናዳን (Environment Canada) ካልኣት መርበብ ኩነታት ኣየርን (Weather Network) ሓዊስካ ካልኣት ኣከባቢያዊ ኣገልግሎታት ኩነታት ኣየርን፡፡

ክሰብ ሰዓት 5:30 ቅ.ቀ.፣ ሰራሕተኛታት ሃሊፋክስ ዘባዊ ማእከል ትምህርቲ (HRCE's) ነቲ ናይ መወዳእታ ውሳኔ ዝህብ ናይ ዘባ ፈጻሚ ስራሕ ዳይሬክተር (ወይ ዝተመዘዘ) ርእይቶታት ይህቡ፡፡ ተማሃሮን ሰራሕተኛታትን ኣብ'ቲ ጽርግያታትን መንገዲ እግርን ክህልዉ ደሓን እንተድኣኹይኑ ኣብያተ ትምህርቲ ክኸፈቱ ኢዮም፡፡ እንተዘይኮነ ግን ትምህርቲ ኣይክህሉን ኢዩ፡፡

እዚ ውሳኔ ክሰብ ሰዓት 6:00 ቅ.ቀ. ዘሎ ግዜ ክመሓላለፍ ኢዩ፡፡

ከመይ ገይረ ክረኽቦ እኽእል?

- ኣብ ውብሳይትና (ኢንተርነት) www.hrce.ca ርኣዩ
- ኣብ ትዊተር (Twitter) [Twitter.com/HRCE_NS](https://twitter.com/HRCE_NS) ስዓቡና
- ናብ ናይ ሓበሬታ መስመርና ኣብ 902-464-INFO (4636) ደውሉልና
- ረድዮኹም ስምዑ (ኩሎም መደበራት ረድዮ ተሓቢሮም ኢዮም)
- ናይ ንግሆ ዜና ኣብ ናይ ከባቢ መስመራት ተለቪዥን ተኸታተሉ
- ንዝተሰረዙ ምልክታታት ብኢመይል ወይ ብናይ ጽሑፍ መልእኽቲ ንምቕባል ተመዝገቡ
 - <https://www.hrce.ca/notifications>

day?

There are times when we may decide to keep schools open, but cancel bussing due to poor road conditions. As parents and guardians, you must use your own discretion with regard to sending your child to school. Before dropping students off, please ensure that someone on staff has arrived at the school and can provide supervision.

If schools are open, meaningful learning activities will take place. Students who are unable to attend school due to inclement weather and/or bus cancellations will not be penalized if assignments are given or assigned on that day.

እቲ ኩነታት ኣየር ንምሉእ መዓልቲ እናኸፍኦ እንተኸደኸ?

ኣብያተ ትምህርቲ ክፋታት ንክኹኑ ክንውስነሉ ንክእል ግዜያት ኣሎ፣ ግን ብሰንኪ ሕማቕ ኩነታት መንገዲ ንጉዕዞ ብኣውቶቡስ ንስርዝ ኢና። ከም ወለድን ሞግዚታትን/መዕበይትን፣ ደቅኹም ናብ ቤት-ትምህርቲ ንምስዳድ ብዝምልከት ናይ ገዛእ-ርእስኹም ውሳኔ/ኣተሓሳስባ ተጠቐሙ። ቅድሚ ተማሃሮ ምውራድኩም/ምርጋፍኩም፣ በጃኹም ገለ ካብ ሰራሕተኛታት ኣብ'ቲ ቤት-ትምህርቲ ምቀጽጻር ይገብሩ ምህላዎም ኣረጋግጹ።

ኣብያተ-ትምህርቲ እንተድኣ ተኸፊቶም ኣለዉ ትርጉም ዘለዎ ናይ ትምህርቲ ንጥፈታት ኪካየድ ኢዩ። ብሰንኪ ሕማቕ ኩነታት ኣየርን/ወይ ብምስራዝ ኣውቶቡስን ንትምህርቲ ክመጽኡ ዘይክኣሉ ተማሃሮ ዝስራሕ እንተተዋሂቡ ወይ ኣብ'ታ መዓልቲ እቲኣ ዝስራሕ እንተተዋሂቡ ኣይክቕጽዑን ኢዮም።