



# Northeastern Catholic District School Board

## INCLEMENT WEATHER

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### POLICY STATEMENT

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The Northeastern Catholic District School Board is committed to having our Catholic schools open each day of the school year. Recognizing that emergencies such as inclement weather conditions can occur, the safety of our students shall be the prime consideration when decisions are made to cancel student transportation or to close schools due to inclement weather.

### REFERENCES

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North East Tri-Board Student Transportation

OP01: Policy and Procedures for Cancellation of School Bus Transportation due to Inclement Weather

NCDSB Policy

E-36 Emergency School Closure

NCDSB Administrative Procedure

APE035 Inclement Weather

APE036 Emergency School Closure

### DEFINITIONS

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#### **Inclement Weather Day**

A day where road or weather conditions make it impossible to operate a school bus safely. In situations where buses are cancelled due to inclement weather affecting road conditions, the day shall be designated an Inclement Weather Day. Inclement Weather Days do not result in Emergency School Closure Days unless the conditions meet the emergency school closure day criteria as well.

### POLICY REGULATIONS

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- 1.0 Decisions to cancel student transportation services shall be made in the best interest of student safety.
- 2.0 Cancellation of school bus transportation prior to the commencement of the regular school day shall be in accordance with the North East Tri Board Policy and/or local practices for Bishop Belleau School, Moosonee.
- 3.0 Due to the geographic size and diversity of the NCDSB, it is recognized there may be varying weather patterns, which may necessitate the cancellation of student transportation services

in one or more communities or to one or more specific schools rather than on a system-wide basis.

- 4.0 In the event that school closure is required due to inclement weather, the provisions of that policy shall apply.
- 5.0 Administrative procedures will accompany this policy, and will be reviewed as required.