

Transportation & Inclement Weather Frequently Asked Questions

What factors influence the district's decision to cancel school?

Safety of school children is the first consideration upon the forecast of inclement weather or in case of continuing unfavorable road conditions. We understand the difficulties canceling school can cause for families. The goal is to remain open as scheduled as much as possible. However, there are times when weather conditions will cause school to be cancelled for the safety of our 2,300+ students.

Considerations when canceling school include: the condition of area roads in the three counties that comprise the LR school district, school campus conditions such as parking lots, sidewalks and roofs; bus fleet condition, and weather forecast during arrival & dismissal times.

Who makes the decision to cancel school due to bad weather?

The Superintendent, in collaboration with individuals representing transportation, facilities and administration, evaluates the weather forecast and/or road conditions and makes the determination whether to cancel school

When and how is the decision announced?

The district makes every effort to determine cancellation by 5:00 AM so parents may be notified as soon as possible. However, the arrival time of inclement weather may cause the cancellation time to vary.

The decision to close school is announced immediately via the district notification system and through the local news media. Notice is also posted on the district website www.logrog.net and social media (Twitter).

When will the district use Snow Routes?

The use of snow routes will depend on road conditions and outside temperature. If many roads in the district are not clear enough for bus travel, but the designated snow routes are clear, then the decision could be made to go to school. Students would be responsible to meet their bus at the designated stops at the scheduled times. The snow routes are designed to run buses on the main district roads and stop at pre-determined safe locations. Drivers are asked NOT to deviate from the assigned stops when utilizing snow routes. The decision to run snow routes will be announced through the same media outlets as school cancellations. The times and locations of individual bus snow routes are posted on the district website www.logrog.net .

Why does Logan-Rogersville sometimes cancel school when other area schools are in session?

Each school district is unique. The Logan-Rogersville district is comprised of areas in three different counties. Each county road department is unique in their fleet size, budget and protocol.

The number of rural roads, terrain, paved surfaces, etc., can make the safety of travel vary from one part of the district to other even when they are in close geographic proximity.

What if early morning road conditions are bad but are likely to improve quickly?

For mornings when road conditions could improve quickly, we may call for a 2 Hour Late Start schedule. For a 2 Hour Late Start, each building will begin school two hours late and end school at its regularly scheduled time.

When school is closed are all other scheduled extra-curricular and co-curricular activities canceled for the day?

On days when school is cancelled, programs held in the schools such as before & after school CatCare are also cancelled. However, some student activities may continue as scheduled depending on changing weather conditions, distance of travel, departure times and location. Activity cancellations are posted on the district website www.logrog.net as they are announced.

How does the district determine when the cancelled day will be made up?

Logan-Rogersville builds the academic school calendar with 10 make-up days. The first two make-up days are Martin Luther King Jr. Day in January and Presidents' Day in February. The remaining days are added to the end of the academic calendar.

When inclement weather forces a school district to cancel school more than six days, a provision in state statute (RSMO 171.033) exempts school districts from making up all the missed days and sets a cap at 10 days that must be made up. According to statute, a school district must make up the first six days missed due to inclement weather. Then it is required to make up alternating days missed until it reaches a total of 10 make-up days. For example, a school district that misses a total of 14 snow days would have to make up the first six days plus days 7, 9, 11 and 13. Days 8, 10, 12 and 14 would be forgiven.

Are there alternative programs available to students when school is cancelled?

Some local daycares may offer programs for children when school is cancelled, please contact daycares directly for more information. Springfield community agencies offer snow-day activities for children, but only when Springfield Public School is not in session. Contact [Springfield-Greene County Park Board](#) (417) 864-1049, and [Ozarks Regional YMCA](#) (417) 862-7456 for more information.

If parents choose to keep their child home from school when school is not canceled, how will this affect the child's attendance?

Children who are kept out of school will be counted absent. The district does not differentiate between excused and unexcused absences for average daily attendance purposes. The only time a student is not counted absent is if they miss due to a school-sponsored activity. The reason for missing school will be noted and the school principal will determine the allowed make-up policy for missed assignments in class.