

NONINSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS AND BUSINESS SERVICES

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POLICY TITLE TRANSPORTATION IN INCLEMENT WEATHER No. 711.8

School district buses will not operate when weather conditions due to fog, rain, snow or other natural elements make it unsafe to do so. Because weather conditions may vary around the school district and may change quickly, the best judgment possible will be used with the information available.

The final judgment as to when conditions are unsafe to operate will be made by the superintendent. The superintendent will be assisted by other school officials to determine whether the road conditions are safe. Whenever possible, the superintendent, designee and the Director of Building and Grounds will make on-site, visual inspections of streets, roads, and school sites.

In the event any of the district's buildings and facilities must be closed or classes altered/changed, an announcement will be made via local media, Blackboard notification system (phone and email), district website, district mobile app, and social media.

When weather conditions deteriorate during the day after school has begun, cancellation notices will be announced by the various means listed above. Students will be returned to their regular drop-off sites unless weather conditions prevent it. In that case, students will be kept at or returned to school until they are picked up by the parents.

Legal Reference: Iowa Code § 279.8.

Cross Reference: 601.2 School Day

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