

Youth Life Skills

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Transportation staff travels roads at 4 a.m. to review weather and road conditions. Information is also received from the Indiana State Police, Allen County Highway Department, Fort Wayne Street Department and the National Weather Service.

News media are contacted as early as possible, usually by 5:30 a.m. So tune in to radio or television newscasts! **FWCS Spanish Closing/Delay-Hotline number is 467-1985.**



Where students are traveling from outside the FWCS district, students are given an excused absence if their home school district decides the weather conditions are unsafe in their area for children to attend school.



DRESS TO FIT THE SEASON.

Wear loose-fitting, light-weight, warm clothing in several layers. Trapped air insulates. Layers can be removed to avoid perspiration and subsequent chill. Outer garments should be tightly woven, water repellent, and hooded. Wear a hat. Half your body heat loss can be from the head. Cover your mouth to protect your lungs from extreme cold. Mittens, snug at the wrist, are better than gloves. Try to stay dry.



Weather Emergency Information - Students

ONE-HOUR DELAY: All morning classes at the Youth Life Skills Education Center will meet. Students should report to school at 9 a.m.

TWO-HOUR DELAY: Morning academic classes at the Youth Life Skills Education Center will begin at 10 a.m. Stay tuned to local media – a two-hour delay is called to give us time to assess weather and road conditions. **IT COULD BECOME A SCHOOL CLOSING!** Please note; if conditions warrant, afternoon classes will be canceled.

SCHOOL CLOSING: No classes will meet; the school will not be open to students. After-school and evening activities are cancelled.

EARLY DISMISSAL: It rarely happens, but if it does, radio and TV stations will be notified no later than 12:35 p.m.

Delays do **NOT** affect the p.m. classes. Students report as scheduled.

For more information about school closing and delays, please check with staff and/or call the **Youth Life Skills' office at (260) 467-6370.**

BE PREPARED... Before the Storm Strikes

When traveling check the latest weather reports to avoid the storm!

- Fully check and winterize your vehicle before the winter season begins.
- Carry a **WINTER STORM SURVIVAL KIT:**
 - blankets/sleeping bags;
 - flashlight with extra batteries;
 - first-aid kit w/ knife,
 - high-calorie, non-perishable food;
 - extra clothing to keep dry;
 - a large empty can and plastic cover with tissues and paper towels for sanitary purposes;
 - a smaller can and water-proof matches to melt snow for drinking water;
 - sack of sand (or cat litter);
 - shovel;
 - windshield scraper and brush;
 - tool kit; tow rope; booster cables
 - compass and road maps.
- Keep your gas tank near full to avoid ice in the tank and fuel lines.
- Try not to travel alone.
- Let someone know your timetable and primary and alternate routes.

