

School Cancellations & Delays

In some circumstances school will have to be delayed or cancelled. Check the district website for the most current information. In the case of such an event please use the following guidelines.

	Two Hour Delay	Cancellation
Little Lions	AM Cancelled	Cancelled
Alternative Kindergarten	AM Cancelled	Cancelled
Before School Care	Will open at regular time.	Regular all day schedule at regular school buildings.
High School/COMPASS/SUCCESS Activities	AM Activities Cancelled	PM Activities Cancelled Pending ongoing weather conditions.
Middle School Activities	AM Activities Cancelled	PM Activities Cancelled
Elementary Activities	AM Activities Cancelled	PM Activities Cancelled

All delays, cancellations and early dismissals will be communicated on:			
TV: KWWL KGAN KCRG	RADIO: WMT KMRY KKRQ KHAK KZIA KCCK	DISTRICT: Website Banner Facebook Twitter	To sign up for Facebook or Twitter go to www.linnmar.k12.ia.us .

Energy Related Early Dismissal

The District has an energy saving agreement with Alliant Energy to shut down power on the main campus should temperatures become too extreme (cold or hot). The buildings that would be directly affected by a power shut down are: Linn-Mar High School, Excelsior Middle School, Indian Creek Elementary and the Learning Resource Center (COMPASS).

Alliant Energy has agreed to give the district a two hour advance notice if a shut down should be required.

The following procedures are followed for energy-related dismissals.

Notification of Power Interruption for Energy Related Early Dismissals

10:30 a.m. or earlier
Buildings Affected: Linn-Mar High School, Excelsior Middle School, Indian Creek Elementary School, Learning Resource Center
Dismissal Time: Tune to local media or log on to Website.
Lunch: Every effort will be made to serve the lunch meal prior to sending students home.
After School Care: Children receiving the services will go home or to other child care arrangements as made by the parents.
After School/Evening Activities: Cancelled
Scholastic Competition: High School - As Scheduled; home events relocated. Middle School - Cancelled
Staff Responsibilities: Professional but they must leave the closed buildings.

After 10:30 a.m.
Schools Affected: All
Dismissal Time: Tune to local media or log on to Website.
Lunch: Will be served following the early dismissal schedule.
After School Care: Relocate to Powered Sites: Indian Creek (Kids Inc) – participating students relocated to Westfield
After School/Evening Activities: Cancelled
Interscholastic Competition: High School - As Scheduled; home events relocated. Middle School - Cancelled
Staff Responsibilities: Standard early dismissal guidelines.

Frequently Asked Questions



What happens when extreme weather threatens?

The safety of students and staff is the overriding, deciding factor. Since school is a safe, supervised setting for children the District tries to avoid early dismissals.

How do we decide to start, delay or cancel?

The superintendent decides whether or not to delay, cancel or dismiss early. As early as possible, weather and road condition information are gathered from various sources, including government agencies, meteorologists, and through personal inspection by school personnel.

Why don't all school districts make the same decision?

Sometimes road conditions in outlying areas vary from those in the city. Sometimes building conditions may vary. For example, there may be problems with heating and/or power.

Please avoid calling the school about delays, cancellations or dismissals. Unless you see an announcement, assume school is running as usual.

Transportation

In the event of a delay or early dismissal, students normally transported in buses will be picked up and returned to the regular bus stop unless other arrangements have been previously made and communicated to the school.

Other Emergencies

The Linn-Mar Community School District has Crisis Management Guidelines that outline procedures for all types of emergencies and incidents that might occur. Evacuation and relocation is always a possibility.

Check local media, Facebook, Twitter or log on to the District website during such emergencies for procedures to follow when picking up your student(s).