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## Winter Weather ahead!

Schools are not routinely closed due to snow or other weather conditions. All schools in the Coquitlam School District will remain OPEN, if at all possible, during winter weather, including snowfall.

The decision on schools remaining open or needing to be closed, because of extreme weather, occurs **before 6:30 a.m.** so that families can plan and make alternate arrangements. While the District tries to make the best decision with the information available, the weather does change quickly. Therefore, when schools remain open, decisions to stay at home during challenging weather conditions should be made by each family.

Some of our schools are in very different climate zones from one another and there may be the need for select closings within the district. If there is a partial closure of schools within the district, these individual schools will be identified.

On occasion, full district or partial district closure is required.

Extreme weather can also impact transit bussing. Bus schedules may face significant changes or cancellations due to the weather conditions. Parents seeking information on transit bus schedules need to consult the Translink website: <http://www.translink.ca/>

Any district-wide or partial closure will be decided by 6:30 a.m. at the latest and will be announced via **School District 43: website [www.sd43.bc.ca](http://www.sd43.bc.ca)** and CKNW AM 980 radio, CKWX 1130 radio and CBC (690) radio.

We encourage families to continuously check the School District 43 website for updates and changes. Parents seeking information on transit bus schedules need to consult the Translink website:

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Sincerely,

The District Leadership Team, School District No.43 (Coquitlam)