

École Willows School

A Place of Possibilities for Over One Hundred Years.

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Dear Families,

It is that time of year when there is the possibility of snow and inclement weather. The School District carefully monitors the forecast and local weather conditions and in the event of any extreme winter conditions, the School District will assess the impacts to school openings or closures and transportation, including school buses. Road conditions and safety considerations are a top priority when faced with inclement weather challenges.

If inclement weather conditions change throughout a school day, the School District may be required to make announcements during the day regarding an early dismissal or a school closure. In the event of an early dismissal or school closure, staff at your child's school will notify families through their regular communication processes and a notice will be posted on the School District website.

If inclement weather conditions worsen overnight, the School District aims to make a determination of school closures by 6:30 a.m. to allow families time to adjust plans. If schools are closed, an alert will appear on the School District's website.

Greater Victoria School District Website

The School District's website (<u>www.sd61.bc.ca</u>) should be used as the primary point of contact for accurate updates about inclement weather. An alert system is utilized on the front page of the website to draw your attention to the most pertinent information regarding inclement weather and any decisions that have been made; please use this website as your official source of current information.

Social Media

Updates will also be posted on the Greater Victoria School District's social media pages. Help us share updates by sharing posts with your friends and followers on X (Formerly Twitter), Facebook and Instagram.

X (Formerly Twitter):	@sd61schools
Facebook:	@sd61schools
Instagram:	@sd61schools

For more information, please visit: <u>https://www.sd61.bc.ca/news-events/inclement-weather-notifications-2/</u>

With the decreasing temperatures over the coming days and weeks, please remind your child(ren) to dress warmly and be prepared for changing weather conditions. Thank you,

Brenna O'Connor Principal