



Christian Academy SCHOOL SYSTEM

Christian Academy Weather Delays and Closings

If inclement weather necessitates school closing or a delayed start, Christian Academy has a process to determine whether to close or delay school. We understand that a decision on whether or not to close schools during inclement weather has a significant impact on our families. As always, when we make that decision, our number one priority is the safety of students and staff.

When faced with inclement weather, we have four options to consider:

- A normal school day
- A two-hour delay
- A Remote Learning Day: If Christian Academy has a remote snow day, assignments will either be sent home or loaded onto your child's Canvas (6th-12th) or Google Classroom (K-5th) by 9 a.m. There will not be live or Zoom classes on Remote Learning Days.
- A canceled school day that may be made up later in the school year

Our *goal* is to make all decisions no later than 6 a.m. so parents can make childcare plans. Keep in mind that it's not always easy to make that call early. Occasionally, we have to make a decision based on a forecast, and since meteorology is not an exact science, sometimes that forecast doesn't pan out. Please remember we are doing all we can to do what's best for students and staff.

We take several steps when deciding whether to close or delay school start times. Planning begins as soon as a forecast of inclement weather is issued. We have a team that closely monitors the weather throughout the night. We check the radar, consult with local meteorologists, and, if necessary, drive the roads to check conditions. We also take into consideration our facilities' parking lots and sidewalks.

Christian Academy students reside in 11 counties, and the distance between our campuses is 30 miles, which can result in dramatic differences in road conditions. We make two independent decisions: one for Christian Academy of Indiana and one for Christian Academy of Louisville.

Once a decision is made, the next step is to communicate that decision. **Notifications are sent through CAAlert; this is our primary and first communication! Please make sure that your information, contact numbers, and email addresses are up to date in [FACTS Family Portal](#).** (Please Note: We only send alerts if there is a delay, closing, or for a Remote Learning Day.)

Other items of interest for parents concerning inclement weather days:

- Occasionally, Junior Academy, After-school Care, and/or extracurricular events may be canceled or called for early pick-up if weather occurs during the day. All notifications will be communicated through CAAlert and athletic communications.
- The school principal will review extracurricular activities individually in conjunction with system administration. There have been many instances where roads were too treacherous for school to begin but were clear by the afternoon.