



# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA SCHOOL INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

November 2019

St. Anthony School follows Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) inclement weather policy decisions, including closings, delayed openings, early closings, and cancellation of after school and evening activities. All decisions on closings and delayed openings are generally made by 6:00 a.m. For early closings, Fairfax County generally makes a decision between 10:00-11:00 a.m. However, if FCPS decides on a two hour delay, please monitor the news closely to see if their decision changes to closed.

In the event of inclement weather, we ask our parents to listen to the radio or TV stations for Fairfax County announcements concerning late openings and early closings. WTOP News is available at 103.5 FM, 103.9 FM, 107.7 FM, and [www.wtop.com](http://www.wtop.com). **When possible, information will be posted on the school website and social media, but please rely on local TV or radio stations that report on FCPS closings and delays.**

Below is a chart for the various scenarios for inclement weather. Please read the policy carefully. Our school makes separate decisions for extreme cold weather (below zero) closures **not** related to traffic and road conditions but due to the temperature only.

IF	THEN	AND
School is closed	Extended Day will also be closed.	
If school closes on time, <u>but ALL AFTER SCHOOL activities are cancelled</u>	PK3 - Grade 8 - Extended Day and after school activities end at 4:30 p.m.	All evening activities are cancelled.
Evening activities (only) are cancelled	Only evening school activities will be cancelled. - After school activities will still occur. - Extended Day will remain open until 6:00 p.m.	All activities and meetings scheduled <u>after 6:00 p.m.</u> are cancelled.
2 hour delayed opening	K - Grade 8 - 8:05 a.m. opening becomes 10:05 a.m. <u>and</u> Preschool - 8:15 a.m. opening becomes 10:15 a.m.  <b>Extended Day</b> - <b>Opens at 9:00 a.m. for K-8</b> o Students not enrolled in Extended Day will have the hourly drop in rate added to FACTS account. - <b>No morning Extended Day for preschool</b>	A half day <u>or</u> 1 hour early dismissal becomes a full day.  Shuttle Bus for St. Anthony students leaves St. Philip at 9:30 a.m.
2 hour early closing	K - Grade 8 - 3:25 dismissal is changed to a 1:25 p.m. <u>and</u> Preschool - 3:00 p.m. dismissal is changed to 1:00 p.m.  There will be <b>NO PM Extended Day</b> on a 2 hour early closing.	If it is half day, school will close at the early dismissal time.

The School Messenger notification system will be used to notify families of inclement weather changes. **If Fairfax County Public Schools do not make a decision until after 8:30 p.m., the school website and social media will be updated and a text only message will be sent to families.**

Situations not stated specifically in this policy will be determined by the school administration on a case-by-case basis as will any other school decisions made by Fairfax County School.