



COLD WEATHER

Tips for dressing for cold weather:

- Dress in layers: insulating layers underneath and a wind-protecting outer layer
- Protect your extremities: Feet, hands and heads get cold very quickly. Warm boots, mittens (they keep fingers warmer than gloves), hats and gaiters or scarves are important for very cold days.
- Avoid exposed skin, consider a mask or scarf to protect the face if it's very cold and windy



Transportation Information



Did you know that at around **-34 degrees Celsius**, diesel fuel can turn into gel? This means that our buses may not operate in such extreme cold. While closing schools can significantly disrupt family routines, this decision is always considered carefully. Therefore, there may be times when schools remain open, even though buses are not running.

In situations of severe weather, Palliser School Division respects and supports your family's decision regarding your child's attendance. This could mean opting to keep your child at home if you don't have a safe way to transport them to school, or arranging an alternative method of transportation when bus services are cancelled.

Communication in Severe Weather

Notification of School Closures: If weather and road conditions are bad enough (ie bad visibility or heavy snow) to necessitate school closures, we aim to notify staff and families by 6:45 AM on the day of the closure.

On-Site Staff Presence: In the event of unexpected student arrivals, efforts will be made to ensure at least one staff member is present at the school.

For comprehensive details on how our Division handles inclement weather, including bus cancellations, please visit our Inclement Weather Procedures:

<https://www.pallisersd.ab.ca/board-of-trustees/procedures/5695>



Stay prepared, safe and warm!
Palliser School Division