

LAKE TAHOE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
SNOW DAY POLICIES

www.ltusd.org
OR CALL THE SNOWLINE FOR INFORMATION
530-541-4636 x-3

CLOSING OF SCHOOLS

There will be times during the year when, under existing conditions, City, County and State Road Departments cannot clear the roads in time to start school. In addition, when power failures occur, school cannot be held because all our heating systems require electricity.

During storms, our maintenance crews are normally plowing school areas by 4:00 am. In addition, Transportation travels the roads throughout the District between 4:00 am and 5:00 am. A decision will usually be made by 5:45 am as to whether or not buses will be able to safely travel bus routes.

NOTIFICATION OF PARENTS

Snow day information will be updated on the LTUSD web site by 6:00am.
We will use the Notification system in Aeries Portal, to update each home in the district by telephone, text or email if schools will be CLOSED, or any other urgent school information.
You control how you want to be notified in your Aeries Parent Portal notification

Our local Radio station KRLT, 93.9 FM as well as TV stations in Reno and Sacramento will be notified if All Schools are Closed.

YOU ARE EARNESTLY REQUESTED NOT TO CALL THE RADIO/ TV STATIONS, as the announcer cannot answer the telephone and man the station at the same time.

It is seldom practical to notify you on the previous night, often what looks hopeless at midnight is plowed by morning, and sometimes what looks good at midnight is hopeless by morning!

VARIATIONS IN WEATHER CONDITION

There will be times when school will be closed, though your area appears clear. Snow conditions vary widely throughout the District. Our decision must be based on the overall condition of the District, which must be operated as a unit for legal reasons. We assure you that school will be held whenever possible; it is highly inconvenient and costly to the District not to conduct classes.



EARLY DISMISSAL

There may be days when school must be dismissed early because of weather conditions or power failure. **We will use Aeries Communications, to contact each home in the District. Please update your information, if necessary to ensure you will be notified. Please listen to the radio on all days of unusually severe weather, especially on days when weather conditions become worse as the day progresses.**

School buses will take children to the regular stops on these days, UNLESS YOU ARE NOTIFIED OF EXCEPTIONS BY Aeries communications. **(Please make plans in advance for such days if you cannot be at home, and discuss these plans with your children so that they know what to do and where to go.)**

If you feel it is necessary to pick up your child on these days, please do not block the normal bus loading zones. Park in the regular vehicle parking spaces; rather than at the bus loading curb.

BUS ROUTES

On occasion, stalled vehicles or other temporary conditions will make the following of normal routes impossible, even though things may have been clear earlier in the day. When this occurs on the trip home, students will be dropped off as near to the regular bus stop as is possible.

On days when school is held and snow conditions are heavy, please ALLOW EXTRA TIME FOR BUS DELAY, due to road conditions.

PARENTS WHO TAKE PUPILS TO SCHOOL

If you normally take your child to school, please be sure that SCHOOL IS BEING HELD before delivering your child to school. A child dropped off at the corner to walk even a short distance to a closed school is exposed unnecessarily to danger.

CONDUCT

Student behavior on school buses is usually very good. However, there are times when standards slip. Throwing snowballs in or from the school buses is EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS and can jeopardize the safety of other students. Please emphasize to your children the dangers to themselves, the busload of children, and other individuals or vehicles of throwing anything while on a school bus.

SNOW DAY MAKE UP

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT

LTESMS	543-2371
Bijou	543-2337
Sierra House	543-2327
Tahoe Valley	543-2350
STMS	541-6404
STHS	541-4111

There are three (3) snow days built into the calendar. Should we exceed three days, they will be added at the end of the school year. Should we not use the three days built into the Calendar, school will close earlier than scheduled.