

The end of winter is nearing. However, as Colorado residents, we know that this does not necessarily mean an end to winter weather. In cases of inclement weather, it is unusual for our schools to close and we have not used a district late start policy in the past. This winter has been particularly snowy, which has prompted us to reconsider a late start option. After careful thought and consideration regarding the impact to schools, families and district operations, we have decided to implement a 2-hour delay schedule when the weather situation indicates it is necessary.

When considering how we utilize this new delay schedule, we will continue to rely on many data sources to inform our decision. These include CDOT and Jeffco County Road & Bridge Department, Skyview Weather Service, and other real-time forecast services, first-hand road inspections by staff and community volunteers living in our neighborhoods, forecasts for later in the day, and input from Jeffco Transportation Services. We will make our decision by 4:45 a.m. in order to accommodate school bus dispatch, food services deliveries, site crews, and substitute teacher arrangements. We will publicly announce a 2-hour delay and notify families by 5:30 a.m.

The safety and security of our students and staff is always our top priority, and we hope this new policy will help keep everyone safe on the roads while also keeping our schools open. Remember that you have the ultimate responsibility for the safety and well-being of yourself and your children. Parents can always decide not to send their children to school on a snowy day if they feel it is unsafe.

The attached flyer will summarize what happens at your school if a 2-hour delay is announced. Please review the information and if you have additional questions, please contact your school office directly.

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## WHAT TO EXPECT WITH A 2-HOUR DELAY

If you have a student in...	Expect...	Other Considerations...
High School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No morning classes at Warren Tech</li> <li>Classes run on normal schedule</li> <li>No morning athletic practices</li> <li>No regular breakfast served</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2-hour delay will only be used during extreme circumstances of inclement weather</li> <li>Families will be notified by 5:30 am</li> <li>School starts 2 hours later than the regular start time</li> <li>School ends at the normal time</li> <li>Buses run 2 hours later than normal in the morning</li> <li>Tardies/absences will be excused if school is notified by family</li> <li>Missed work should be provided and accepted under the same policy as applies to regular absences</li> </ul>
Middle School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No regular breakfast served</li> </ul>	
Elementary School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No morning kindergarten</li> <li>No regular breakfast served</li> <li>Before school care also delayed by 2 hours</li> </ul>	
Charter School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check with your school to see if they are following the district delay schedule</li> </ul>	
Preschool	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No morning preschool</li> </ul>	

**Questions?** Call your school directly.

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## QUÉ ESPERAR EN UN RETRASO DE 2 HORAS

Si tiene un estudiante en...	Esperar...	Otras consideraciones...
Escuela preparatoria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No habrá clases de la mañana en Warren Tech</li> <li>Clases en su horario normal</li> <li>No habrá prácticas atléticas de la mañana</li> <li>No se servirá el desayuno habitual</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>El retraso de 2 horas será usado durante circunstancias extremas de mal tiempo</li> <li>Se notificará a las familias alrededor de las 5:30 a.m.</li> <li>Las clases empezarán 2 horas después que el horario habitual de inicio</li> <li>Las clases terminarán a la hora habitual</li> <li>Los autobuses irán 2 horas retrasados a la hora habitual de la mañana</li> <li>Tardanzas/ausencias serán excusadas si la familia notifica a la escuela</li> <li>Se proveerá y aceptará el trabajo perdido bajo la misma norma que aplica a las ausencias regulares</li> </ul>
Escuela intermedia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No se servirá el desayuno habitual</li> </ul>	
Escuela primaria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No habrá kindergarten en la mañana</li> <li>No se servirá el desayuno habitual</li> <li>El servicio de guardería de antes de clase también retrasado por 2 horas</li> </ul>	
Escuela charter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consulte con su escuela para saber si seguirán el horario de retraso del distrito</li> </ul>	
Preescolar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No habrá servicio de preescolar en la mañana</li> </ul>	

**¿Tiene preguntas?** Llame directamente a la escuela.

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