

EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSING PROCEDURES

In case of inclement weather or a mechanical breakdown, schools may need to be closed for the day. Notification to residents is as follows:

- 1) The following television stations, FIOS 1, FOX News, NBC News and News 12 will announce school closings, minimum and delayed openings.
- 2) Through our “emergency notification phone system”, Reverse 911. This is our Main Notification System.
- 3) If serious weather conditions develop, we may need to close school early. Please be sure your child’s school has an emergency number that we can use if school is closed early. It is extremely important that your child knows exactly where they are to go or what to do if school should be closed early due to an emergency situation. (Please note specific Delayed Opening Procedures below.)
Use your judgment as a parent regarding safety in your area. Your decision whether your child should remain at home will always be accepted by our school officials on inclement days. Your understanding and support will be appreciated.

NOTE: PLEASE DO NOT CALL POLICE HEADQUARTERS REGARDING SCHOOL CLOSINGS.

THIS TIES UP POLICE LINES AND INTERFERES WITH POLICE OPERATIONS.

Please visit our web site at www.oaklandschoolsnj.org.

Guidelines for Delayed Opening Days

Please know that on delayed opening days:

Valley Middle School will OPEN at 9:50 AM, and the Elementary Schools will OPEN at 10:30 AM; Morning Preschool will begin at 10:30 AM with a dismissal time of 12:20 PM. Afternoon Preschool classes will begin at 1:20 PM and end at the regular dismissal time of 3:10 PM.

Middle school buses will pick-up students approximately two hours later than the regular schedule; Preschool–Grade 5 bus students will be picked up approximately one and one half hours later than regular school days;

Students in Grades K-8 will have their regular schedule of classes on delayed opening days; however, the amount of time for each period will be shortened;

Oakland School District’s web site (www.oaklandschoolsnj.org) will also post inclement weather announcements.

Regular School Day Schedules

Dogwood Hill:	9:00 AM – 3:10 PM
Heights:	9:00 AM – 3:10 PM
Manito:	9:00 AM – 3:10 PM
Valley Middle:	8:00 AM – 2:39 PM
AM Preschool:	9:00 AM – 11:35 AM
PM Preschool:	12:35 PM – 3:10 PM

Minimum School Day Schedules

Dogwood Hill:	9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Heights:	9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Manito:	9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Valley Middle:	8:00 AM – 12:20 PM
AM Preschool:	9:00 AM – 10:30 AM
PM Preschool:	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Please note: Elementary teachers are available until, at least, 3:25 PM every day. Middle school teachers will be available until, at least, 2:55 PM each day. Teachers are available at least one day per week.

