

# Bus Service Cancellation

Inclement Weather or Other Emergency

## Background

The Division is committed to the safety of all students, therefore, it is the intention of the Division to minimize risks with respect to busing in cold and inclement weather.

## Procedures

1. Highway (out-of-town) busing involves more risks than in-town busing, therefore, the following applies to Highway (out-of-town) busing:
  - 1.1 Highway busing requires that all buses are to be well maintained and carry emergency equipment including radio/phones. Full details of equipment must be supplied to the Secretary Treasurer and checked by the Principal.
  - 1.2 Highway busing will not be permitted when the temperature drops to -40°C or colder.
  - 1.3 Parents/students must be advised by the bus driver if for any reason the bus does not make its scheduled rounds.
  
2. The following applies to busing generally:
  - 2.1 For all busing, the Principal is authorized to suspend bus services for up to one (1) full school day if in his/her opinion, weather related factors make bus operation hazardous.
  - 2.2 If bus operation is suspended, parents/students must be advised by the bus driver. The Principal shall advise the Superintendent of Education and the School Community Council.
  - 2.3 The Secretary Treasurer or designate shall be authorized to make alternate arrangements in those situations where bus services have been suspended for reasons other than weather.

Reference: Sections 85, 87, 108, 109, 110, 116, 175 Education Act