

Severe weather and bus cancellations

Sometimes, severe weather causes us to cancel buses. The general rule is that if the wind chill is -45 C or colder at the Winnipeg Airport (as posted by Environment Canada at about 6:10 a.m.), we cancel buses for the whole day but schools usually remain open. All metro Winnipeg school divisions follow one system, based on this rule.

Where to go for information after about 6:30 a.m.

We will post an alert message on this website home page, if buses are cancelled. Major radio stations will also announce busing cancellations. They usually broadcast cancellations about every 15 minutes. You can also check local television stations and the Internet.

Here are the stations that will announce bus cancellations:

CBC – 990 AM, 89.3 FM	CKSB (French)
CFWM (BOB) 99.9	CKXL Envol 91 (French)
FAB 94.3 FM	Clear FM 102.3
QX 104 FM	Citytv
TSN Radio 1290	CTV News
CITI 92 FM	Global News
CJOB 680 AM	Winnipeg Free Press online
CJKR Power 97	
CKMM Virgin Radio 103	

IF BY 6:45 A.M. WE HAVE NOT ANNOUNCED OR POSTED A CANCELLATION ALERT, BUSES ARE RUNNING.

Please don't call our transportation office, our board office or media outlets. Doing so ties up phone lines. Instead, please access information as outlined above.

Transportation cancellation procedures

In the event of severe weather, this procedure will be followed:

1. The decision to cancel buses and/or close schools will be made by the superintendent in consultation with the director of transportation.
2. The decision to close, if it is made, will be conveyed to the transportation supervisor in Sunrise School Division for its students who are transported to River East Transcona schools.
3. Everyone is asked to listen to the media for announcements regarding bus cancellations and/or school closures.
4. If it is necessary to close schools, or bus students home early during the school day because of severe weather, schools will be contacted by phone by the superintendent's department. If transportation is cancelled in the morning, this cancellation will apply for the whole day.