



FROM THE FAMILY HANDBOOK

Emergency Closing of School

Severe weather, utility problems, or health emergencies may necessitate the closing of the school. When such closings can be foreseen, an announcement will be made at the earliest possible time. For weather closings, the decision will be made by 6:00 a.m., if possible, and will be posted on OnCampus, communicated through email, and broadcast over local television stations WBTV (www.wbtv.com), WSOC (www.wsoc.com), and WCNC (www.gocarolina.com).

When emergency conditions cause the closing of school during the school day, the school will promptly notify parents through a variety of communication methods, including local television stations, social media notification, and email. Teachers and administrators will remain with students until safety is assured. During school day closings, all students will be required to sign out with their homeroom teacher. Students who ride with Gaston Day School parents other than their own, student drivers other than siblings, or other adults should notify their homeroom teacher.

If weather conditions outside the immediate school area are of a serious threat, parents from those areas may call in and pick up their student(s) early.

Delayed School Opening

Occasionally, due to inclement weather, the opening of school may be delayed one or two hours. In this event, students should plan to arrive at school at the normal time plus the amount of the delay. For instance, a one hour delay would mean that students should be in their classrooms or homerooms by 9:00 a.m. instead of the normal 8:00 a.m. Bus riders should report to their designated pick-up site at the normal time plus the amount of the delay. If their normal pick-up is 7:00 a.m. and there is a one hour delay, the bus will pick up at 8:00 a.m.