



WALLENPAUPACK NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

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EARLY AND EMERGENCY DISMISSAL INFORMATION

Parents/Guardians:

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Please keep this information for reference during the coming months. It should help to avoid problems when a late start or early dismissal becomes necessary due to weather or a “local school state of emergency”. Be sure to read the information about both types of dismissals.

Information regarding Early Dismissals, due to weather:

Does your child know what to do if there is an early dismissal and you are not at the bus stop or at home when he/she arrives? Does he know the relative or neighbor designated to help in this event? We will try to accommodate any **permanent** bus change requests received by Dec. 11, for early dismissal days **due to weather**. Be sure your child has clear instructions to follow to ensure his/her safety. It is the parents’ obligation to inform and train their children in the procedure to follow when there is an early dismissal.

The dismissal time announced through the media is the time the busses leave the High School. **The Primary dismissal time is 30 minutes earlier**. For example, if the dismissal time announced is 10:00 a.m., the Primary will dismiss at 9:30 a.m. This is important information, if you are picking up your student.

Parents will receive an automated phone call in the event of an early dismissal, due to weather, or other emergency. Please log on to Powerschool to verify the number you choose to have called in the event of an early dismissal, due to weather.

Late Starts: In the case of a one or two-hour late start, students are picked up at their bus stop one or two hours later than their normal pick up time.

Information about late starts and early weather dismissals will be on the following radio stations: FM 95.3 WDNH, FM 98.5 WKRZ, FM 105.3 WYCY. The local television stations carrying the information are: WYOU channel 22, WNEP channel 16, WBRE channel 28.

Information regarding Emergency Dismissals:

Early dismissals could occur due to situations such as flooding, heating malfunctions, bomb threats or other “local school state of emergency” situations. Information will be heard on the radio and television stations listed above. When a “State of Emergency” is declared, all authority rests with the fire department and state police. School personnel are no longer in charge. All personnel and procedures will be directed to ensure the students’ safety. **All students will board their assigned buses for dismissal; there can be no pickups or bus changes**. Students will be dropped off at their regular bus stops. Again, it is the parents’ responsibility to inform and train their children in the procedure to follow when there is an early dismissal.