



October 11, 2017

Dear MSD Lawrence Township Family:

As weather patterns shift moving in to the winter months, there will be early mornings when decisions must be made about whether or not to cancel or delay the start of school. It is rarely an easy decision and is one that I make with a great deal of thought.

Attached is a document that I hope you will review and keep for reference in the coming months. It outlines the conditions that may result in a closing or delay and the process that is used in making a decision. You can get the most up-to-date information on the district website at www.LTschools.org, on any of the local media outlets, on Twitter or Facebook, or using our mobile app.

Inclement weather frequently results in buses being delayed as drivers navigate wet, snowy, slushy, or icy roads. The geography of Lawrence Township can make this especially challenging, as our district has more undulating terrain. It will be important to be sure that children have warm coats, gloves, hats, and scarves as they walk to and from the bus stop and while they wait for their bus. In addition, please remind your child(ren) that while they may see vehicles approaching, drivers may not see them. Being aware of their surroundings is even more important when the weather is poor.

Finally, we would like to have your children in school every day that we are in session. However, we will always respect your decision as a parent when it comes to the safety of your child(ren).

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to provide all of our children with a safe and rich learning environment.

Sincerely,

Dr. Shawn A. Smith
Superintendent