

School Closure Information for Adverse Weather Conditions

We use the Alertnow notification system. In the event adverse weather forces the closure of school or specific bus routes you will be notified through our AlertNow phone system.

The decision to close school will normally be made by 6:30 am unless circumstances cause a delay.

A decision to close school is made by the District Superintendent. Bus route changes or cancellations are decided by the Transportation Director. These decisions are made after an onsite check of road conditions throughout the district. Once buses start their routes they will not be recalled except in cases of extreme emergencies.

Should Montana State Highway officials issue an *emergency traffic only* warning prior to 6:30 am, the Bigfork Schools will close. If the warning occurs while school is in session, buses will not run and students will remain at school until arrangements can be made to transport them safely. During these circumstances parents are welcome to pick up their children from school or call the office to arrange transportation.

Montana law requires that public schools be in session for a minimum number of instructional hours. Any school closure requires that the missed time be made up. Please be aware that a make-up day may be scheduled for a Saturday, a vacation day, or by extending the school year.

Questions may be directed to the respective school or the Superintendent's Office.

Bigfork Elementary/Middle School 837-7412

Bigfork High School 837-7420

Bigfork Superintendent's Office 837-7400