

News from District Office:

Lincoln Public Schools is always looking for more and better ways to communicate to our parents and students. We have decided to call each LPS household when school is closed due to bad weather. Our new mass communication system will allow us to notify each family individually.

If school is closed, the system will call our 20,000 households with this information. It will take up to 45 minutes to complete the entire list from A-Z. Since the calls are made in alphabetical order, names at the beginning of the alphabet will receive a call before those at the end of the alphabet. If the school closing decision can be made the night before, we will initiate notification calls by 10 p.m. However, often the school closing decision can't be made until early morning because the weather is difficult to predict. In those cases, phone calls to homes will begin at 5:15 a.m.

We know this is early, but many families and students must leave home very early each morning to arrive at school and work on time. Also, the first LPS school buses leave at 5:30 a.m. to start picking up students. Notification will only help families if they are alerted in a timely manner. We apologize for any inconvenience caused by early phone calls.

As in the past, we will continue to notify all media outlets of any school closings. Bad weather can affect various forms of technology. So with radio, television, and now, the mass communication system, we have many avenues to ensure our families are notified of school closings.