



Inclement Weather Procedures

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School Bus Cancellation Notice

School bus service may be cancelled from time to time due to inclement weather and/or poor road conditions. In these cases, parents and students should develop alternate care/transportation arrangements.

Since some busing schedules begin by 7:00 a.m., cancellation decisions must be made by 6:00 a.m. to allow time to communicate this message to bus drivers. Cancellation decisions will only be made after thorough consultation with the Safety Officers of school bus companies servicing York Region and are based on several factors including precipitation, air temperature, road conditions and Environment Canada forecast.

Please note the following;

- A decision to cancel school bus service will be region-wide meaning all school buses, vans and taxis will not operate.
- School bus routes may be cancelled when severe weather is not affecting all municipalities in York Region. Both the YRDSB and YCDSB operate many regional educational programs. Students attending these programs are transported over large attendance areas encompassing several municipal boundaries. This limits the ability to cancel bus service using a municipality or zone methodology.
- Unless otherwise stated, schools will remain open and parents can make arrangements to transport their children to and from school even if school bus service is cancelled. If buses are cancelled in the morning, they will not operate in the afternoon. Therefore students transported to school by parents will require the same transportation home.
- If regular home to school runs are cancelled, Charter trips will not operate.

Parents, students and school staff are asked to access the following radio and television stations after 6:00 a.m. to receive bus cancellation information:

RADIO

590 AM	640 AM	680 AM	860 AM	1010 AM	1050 AM
1540 AM	1580 AM				

88.5 FM	89.9 FM	92.5 FM	93.1 FM	94.9 FM
95.9 FM	97.3 FM	98.1 FM	99.1 FM	99.9 FM
101.1 FM	102.1 FM	104.5 FM	100.7 FM	107.1 FM

TELEVISION

CITY TV	CFTO Barrie	CFTO TV	GLOBAL NEWS
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A bus cancellation message will also be available at www.schoolbuscity.com and by calling 1-877-330-3001.



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The decision to cancel buses will be region-wide.

- **5:00 a.m.** Bus company representatives will communicate with Municipal Road Superintendents, review weather and road conditions for their area and communicate with their Lead Contact. Through discussion and review a recommendation re. Bus service cancellation will be formed.
- **5:30 a.m.** If service cancellation is recommended, the Lead Contact will contact the STSYR Manager to share applicable information.
- **5:35 a.m.** If service cancellation is recommended, the STSYR Manager will contact other Transportation Consortia as required to determine if service cancellation has occurred in their regions. The STSYR Manager will then contact YCDSB and YRDSB representatives to review information and make a service cancellation decision.
- **5:55 a.m.** The STSYR Manager will contact the Lead Contact to confirm a service cancellation decision. The Lead Contact will notify Bus Contractor Representatives.
- **6:00 a.m.** STSYR to notify designated media outlets regarding bus cancellations.