



DCSD Transportation Department

Valley Schools Snow Day Letter 2017 - 2018

SNOW DAY INFORMATION FOR DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT VALLEY SCHOOLS

In the event of inclement weather it may become necessary for Douglas County School District to call Alternate Bus Stops/ Snow Stops, a One-Two Hour Delay or a Snow Day. DCSD's first consideration in making these decisions is the safety of the students.

Alternate Bus Stops/ Snow Stops will be in effect when it is decided that it is safest to prohibit bus travel in certain areas. Buses will still pick up and drop off students however it will be at a bus stop on a safely accessible main street. Both pick up and drop off, may be at the alternate bus stops, depending on improving weather conditions.

One-Two Hour Delay is called if it is determined that it would be safer if the buses picked up students one-two hours later in the morning and the weather conditions are such that the buses can make it home safely in the afternoon.

A **Snow Day** is called when it is decided that it is safest for DCSD students to not attend school due to weather or other conditions being unpredictable. If any Snow Days are called during the first semester the days must be made up at the end of the school year and the DHS Graduation date will move the same number of days. If any Snow Days are called during the second semester the days must be made up at the end of the school year, however the DHS Graduation date will stay the same.

Determinations will be made as soon as possible but no later than 6:00 AM for secondary schools and 7:00 AM for elementary. Information on these changes can be located through the following:

Radio Stations

KCMY (99.1 FM) KBUL (98.1 FM)
DO NOT CALL THE RADIO STATIONS!

TV Stations (for one hour delay or closures only)

KNRV Channel 4 KOLO Channel 8 KTVN Channel 2

DCSD Webpage: www.dcsd.k12.nv.us and the **DCSD Facebook Page**

"Snow Day-No School", or "One Hour Delay. Two Hour Delay will be posted by 6:30AM.

Automated Auto-Dialer system

The system will call student's home phone numbers and announce "Snow Day", "One Hour Delay", or "Two Hour Delay".

Please note:

- No message will be sent out if it is school as usual.
- Alternate Bus Stop/ Snow Stop notifications will not be reported on the TV stations.
- No notification system is foolproof. Power outages and technical problems can arise.
- DCSD will do it's best to keep you informed.
- Predicting the weather is always a difficult task. Conditions at one end of the valley can be quite different from the other and weather conditions can change very rapidly. All applicable factors will be taken into consideration.
- Decisions will be made with the safety of the students as the first priority.
- It shall be the ultimate responsibility of the individual bus driver to assess whether to travel into areas where road conditions may be hazardous to the safety of the students.

Any questions concerning school bus transportation should be directed to the Transportation Department at 775-782-5194.