



How will I know if schools are closed, or if there is a delayed opening or early dismissal?

To find out if schools are closed:

- Check our website at www.piscatawayschools.org -- the official source for closings!
- Blackboard Connect automated messages will be sent to all families.
- Visit the following news web sites when inclement weather affects school openings:
 - WCTC at wctcam.com
 - NJ101.5 at nj1015.com
 - News 12 New Jersey at newjersey.news12.com

Early Closings:

When unexpected emergencies such as snow storms, severe flooding, or water main breaks make it necessary to close school early, the district will send a Blackboard Connect automated message, and the district's website will announce important updates.

High School and Middle Schools: Pupils will be dismissed and bus transportation will be available for pupils normally eligible for this service.

Elementary Schools: Students will be dismissed in accordance with the parental authorization provided on the "Dismissal Release" form, found in packets distributed on the first day of school, and online in each school's Virtual Backpack. Bus transportation will be provided for eligible students.

Children's Corner: For early dismissals, preschool parents will be notified by a Blackboard Connect automated message. Bus transportation will be provided for eligible students.

After School Extended Care: After Care Program Centers are unaffected, and continue to operate from the time of school dismissal until 6 pm.

Two-Hour Delayed Opening

When hazardous road conditions such as snow or ice affect morning travel, school openings may be delayed for two hours beyond the regular schedule. Delayed openings allow for safe travel to school by giving school staff and the Township's Road Department time to clear roads, walkways and parking lots.

Delayed opening information is posted on the district website, and families will receive a Blackboard Connect automated message. Students normally transported by bus should be at their designated stop two hours later than their usual departure time.

Before School Child Care operates from 8:30 a.m. until school begins. This service is only available to those enrolled in the program.

After School Extended Care continues to operate as usual.

Complete information about each school's start and dismissal times during emergency closures can be found [here](#).