

# Fair Lawn Public Schools

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Dear Parents, Students, Faculty:

With the unpredictable fall and winter season approaching, we wish to once again inform you about the process of notification we will use if schools are to be closed, a delayed opening, or early dismissal.

Decisions to keep schools open, delay the opening time, or close schools for the entire day, must be made by 5:45 a.m. in order to make appropriate transportation arrangements and give timely notification. Thus, decisions are based on what is known and anticipated no later than 5:30 A.M.

Due to time requirements established by the State Department of Education, it is necessary to have a minimum of four hours of instruction on a daily basis. In order to accommodate this directive, the **delayed opening and early dismissal inclement weather schedules** are as follows:

## 90 MINUTE DELAYED OPENING SCHEDULE

Lunch will be served on Delayed Opening Days

### **ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**

Staff	10:05 a.m.
Students	<b>10:10 a.m.-3:00 p.m.</b>

### **MIDDLE SCHOOLS**

Staff	9:45 a.m.
Students	<b>9:55 a.m. - 2:51 p.m.</b>

### **HIGH SCHOOL**

Staff	9:15 a.m.
Students	<b>9:25 a.m. - 2:40 p.m.</b>

### **EDISON PRE-SCHOOL**

Staff	9:55 a.m.
AM Students	<b>10:10 a.m. -11:40 a.m.</b>
PM Students	<b>12:30 p.m. -3:00 p.m.</b>

### **EDISON FLEX I and II**

Staff	9:55 a.m.
Students	<b>10:10 a.m.-2:45 p.m.</b>

### **EDISON STEPPING STONES**

Staff	9:55 a.m.
Students	<b>10:10 a.m.-2:30 p.m.</b>

### **ALL OTHER PERSONNEL**

Regular Time  
(Custodians, Grounds Crew, Maintenance, Bus Drivers)

over

**EARLY DISMISSAL - INCLEMENT WEATHER SCHEDULE**

*Lunch will be served on early dismissal inclement weather days*

<b>ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS</b>	12:45 p.m.
<b>MIDDLE SCHOOL</b>	12:30 p.m.
<b>HIGH SCHOOL</b>	12:25 p.m.
<b>EDISON PRE-SCHOOL</b>	
AM Session	8:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
PM Session	<b>CANCELED</b>
<b>EDISON FLEX I and II</b>	8:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.
<b>EDISON STEPPING STONES</b>	8:35 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

When a decision is made to have a delayed opening/early dismissal or close schools for the entire day, parents and staff will be notified by the Superintendent through our telephone community notification service, "School Messenger." This call will be made before 7:00 a.m.

School closing/delayed opening announcements will be made on the following stations:

**Cablevision:** Channel 12  
**Television:** Channels 2, 5, & 7  
**Verizon FIOS1 News**  
**FAIR LAWN SCHOOLS WEBSITE:** [www.fairlawnschools.org](http://www.fairlawnschools.org)

**IMPORTANT NOTES**

- ☞ **DO NOT CALL THE FAIR LAWN POLICE DEPARTMENT.**
- ☞ It will be the general practice to keep schools open if at all possible and reasonable. Parents must exercise their own good judgement as to whether or not they send their children to school when schools are kept open during inclement weather.
- ☞ We try *not to* close early for inclement weather once children have reported to school except under extraordinary circumstances.

If you have any questions regarding the above modified schedule, please contact my office at (201) 794-5500 x7090.

Yours truly,

  
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Interim Superintendent of Schools

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