Northeastern Catholic District School Board

INCLEMENT WEATHER

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POLICY STATEMENT

The Northeastern Catholic District School Board is committed to having our Catholic schools open each day of the school year. Recognizing that emergencies such as inclement weather conditions can occur, the safety of our students and staff members shall be the prime consideration when decisions are made to cancel student transportation or to close schools due to inclement weather.

REFERENCES

Northeastern Catholic District School Board Policy P-15 Emergency School Closure NCDSB Administrative Procedure APE040 *Inclement Weather*

DEFINITIONS

Inclement Weather Day

A day where road or weather conditions make it impossible to operate a school bus safely. In situations where buses are cancelled due to inclement weather affecting road conditions, the day shall be designated an Inclement Weather Day. Inclement Weather Days do not result in Emergency School Closure Days unless the conditions meet the emergency school closure day criteria as well.

POLICY REGULATIONS

- 1.0 Decisions to cancel student transportation services shall be made in the best interest of student safety.
- 2.0 The Director of Education or designate and the Tri-Board Supervisor of Transportation Services as per the Tri-Board Joint Transportation Agreement have the responsibility for decisions pertaining to cancelling student transportation due to inclement weather conditions.
- 3.0 Due to the geographic size and diversity of the NCDSB, it is recognized there may be varying weather patterns, which may necessitate the cancellation of student transportation services in one or more communities or to one or more specific schools rather than on a system-wide basis.
- 4.0 In the event that school closure is required due to inclement weather, the provisions of that policy shall apply.
- 5.0 Administrative procedures will accompany this policy, as required.