

Lacombe Christian School

Inclement Weather Procedures:

Since Central Alberta weather conditions are extremely unpredictable, families and staff have a responsibility to check email and Sunny 94 for busing and school closure announcements when inclement weather conditions exist.

Student and staff safety must remain a priority.

LCS will notify you via email by 7am. If you think there may be a possibility of a bus cancellation or school closure, please be diligent by checking your email for updates.

In addition to the email, here are other resources you can use:

- Sunny 94 (listen or check their facebook feed/website)
- Wolf Creek Public Schools website news feed: www.wolfcreek.ab.ca
- Wolf Creek Public Schools transportation page:
www.wolfcreek.ab.ca/services/transportation/bus-status-page
- Individual bus drivers have the individual authority to cancel their route based on the criteria below. The School Bus Driver will then contact parents on the route and inform them of the decision.

Lacombe Christian School follows the Wolf Creek Public School Administrative Procedure 132.

If Wolf Creek Public Schools in Lacombe are closed, then LCS will also be closed.

School will be open with no morning buses running :

- when there is fog, freezing rain, or where road/driving conditions are expected to improve significantly within a short period of time, but improvement occurs too late to operate morning bus routes.
- In this case, parents are expected to drive their children to school only when they deem it safe to do so.
- Schools will remain open and bus runs will operate in the afternoon to transport students home after school has ended.

School will be closed with no buses running:

- when ambient air temperature reaches -40 or lower (regardless of wind condition).
- when ambient air temperature is between -30 and -40 degrees, AND wind chill factors in to -40 or lower.
- when there are dangerous road conditions and/or poor visibility (eg. heavy snowfall, blowing snow, freezing rain, heavy fog).

The decision to cancel all bus runs for a full day of school automatically includes the closing of the school to all students.

When unexpected inclement weather conditions develop during the school day:

- buses will normally not run early. Instead, students will usually remain at school until the end of the school day, unless picked up by their parents.
- In the rare instance where it is decided for safety reasons to run buses early/close schools, announcements will be made on the radio, and LCS will phone parents.