

**EAST
STROUDSBURG
AREA
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

SECTION: OPERATIONS

TITLE: SCHOOL DAY AND
EMERGENCY CLOSINGS

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| 804. SCHOOL DAY AND EMERGENCY CLOSINGS | |
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| 1. Purpose | The normal school day for the instruction of school district students shall be in accordance with law and Board policy. |
| 2. Authority Title 22 Sec. 4.4, 11.2, 11.3 SC 1504 | The Board shall establish the times for the daily sessions of schools of the school district. |
| 3. Delegation of Responsibility | <p>The regular school session may be altered temporarily by the Superintendent when such change is in the best interests of students and the school district.</p> <p>The Superintendent may close, delay the opening, or dismiss schools early for emergency reasons and to protect the health and safety of students and staff. The Superintendent shall prepare procedures for proper and timely notification of all concerned, in the event of an emergency closing.</p> <p>In all cases, the Superintendent shall inform the Board President as soon as possible.</p> <p>Community use of school district buildings may be cancelled for the day or days that schools are closed due to emergency or inclement weather conditions.</p> <p>Early dismissal of students on a district level due to emergency or inclement weather conditions shall constitute the same conditions that apply to school closings: all school events, extracurricular activities, interscholastic contests, practices, etc., may be postponed at the discretion of the Superintendent.</p> |
| 4. Guidelines | Announcements of school closings will be made via the local radio and other available communication media at the earliest possible moment. |

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| <p>School Code 1504</p> <p>Pa. Code Title 22 Sec. 4.4, 11.2, 11.3</p> | <p>The following procedures will be observed when students are already enroute to and/or have already arrived at school:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Bus drivers are to be notified immediately of said closing so that they may stop any further pick-up of students, arrange to return to their homes those students who are enroute, and make available, at the earliest possible moment, buses to accommodate the return home of students already in school.2. If conditions permit, students at school without means of transportation are to be retained and supervised for as long as necessary. This is intended to permit school personnel to contact parents and/or arrange for the orderly and safe return of students to their homes. |
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