

Middle College Inclement Weather Policy

It is that time of year that we have to start thinking about inclement weather and school closures; thus, I wanted to review some basic procedures with you.

1. Closure of CMCSS and closure of APSU are two separate scenarios. Thus, you must follow the closure schedules separately.
2. If CMCSS closes, the Middle College will not hold classes for the day. This means that no Middle College personnel, including the principal, will be on campus and all offices and rooms will remain locked.
3. If CMCSS closes and APSU does not, you are to report only to your college class.
4. If APSU closes and CMCSS does not, you are to report only to your high school classes.
5. If APSU closes campus for any reason and CMCSS is open, you should report to the Marks building for a list of class locations and times.
6. In addition to the School Messenger recorded message, you can learn about CMCSS closures from local radio and television. The www.cmcss.net will also indicate school closure on the home page.
7. You can learn about APSU closures from the local radio and television stations. You can also go to <http://www.apsu.edu/alert> to sign up for text messaging service to be sent to your cell phone. When the campus closes, an email will also be sent to your APSU email account.
8. If CMCSS places the schools on a delayed and/or late start, it does not alter your high school schedule. You will report at your regular report time since it is already two hours after the traditional high school start time.
9. If CMCSS places the schools on a delayed and/or late start, it does not impact your APSU classes and you should report as normal.
10. If CMCSS closes schools early prior to 1:00, you do not have to report to campus for your classes. However, you will be emailed an independent assignment from each of your teachers.
11. If CMCSS cancels afterschool activities, the Middle College will cancel the late classes and students will be emailed independent assignments by the teachers.
12. If a student is on campus when a closure occurs, he/she should have a plan established to be able to leave campus within an hour. Please discuss with your parent/ guardian the plan you have in place.
13. Parents should use their own discretion in determining if a student should travel during inclement weather, regardless of the closure status of either APSU or CMCSS. If a parent chooses not to permit his/her child to drive to campus, he/she should contact the principal via email. A student may not self-report their parent/ guardian's decision on driving.
14. Students utilizing public transportation should copy the bus schedule and routes to determine an alternate plan.
15. Throughout the winter and the spring, weather conditions can change rapidly and I will send email updates on the Middle College schedule as needed. Thus, you should check your email often. Please note that once CMCSS has closed or the Middle College has cancelled classes; no changes will be made.
16. All Middle College students are responsible for independent assignments even those given on CMCSS "snow days."
17. If for some reason you can't attend your APSU college class due to weather, please email your professor (using professional language and format) and inform him/her of your situation.
18. Please be aware that a professor will cancel a class without any notice. You may wish to send a professional email to him/her prior to leaving home to determine the status of the class for the day.
19. Please do not rely on another student to keep you informed about closures. Too many resources exist for you to obtain the correct information for yourself.
20. **Please refer to the above procedures before contacting the teachers.**