

**CHESWICK CHRISTIAN ACADEMY**  
**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON SCHOOL CLOSINGS AND DELAYS**

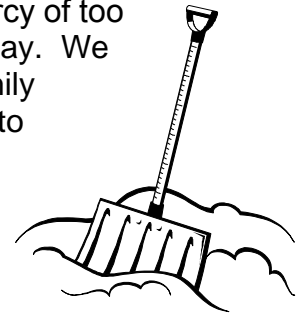
Tune in to KDKA Radio 1020 AM or TV channels 2, 4, or 11 (KDKA, WTAE, or WPXI) for C.C.A. school closings and bus reports. The stations also post school closing and delay information on their websites. You can also arrange to have the information forwarded to your email or cell phone device.

**The standard rule is as follows:**

**If C.C.A. is not on the list of schools that are closed,  
then follow your own local district's closings and delays.**

**FAQ**

**"Why doesn't CCA issue 2-hour delays?"** Answer: "We are at the mercy of too many (over 15) school district bus schedules to be able to easily call a delay. We find it much easier for us and for parents if we remain open and every family follows their own district schedule... as long as we have enough students to justify staying open. We also realize that delays can cause problems for working parents. Our teachers are to arrive as soon as safely able. Mr. Todd Rosio, Principal, lives in Cheswick, and it is his intent to be here by 8:00 a.m. daily, regardless of weather. Therefore, if you are dropping off an elementary student and the elementary building is locked, please try the high school. It will most likely be open by 8:00 a.m."



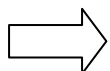
**"Why do you sometimes make a late call to close?"** Answer: "When a district issues a two-hour delay, that gives them a buffer of time to reconsider and possibly cancel school. That sometimes causes a glitch for us. If our main school districts make late calls switching from 'delayed' status to 'closed,' we may end up making a late closing status too since it is futile for us to stay open with only a handful of students."

**"My son gets picked up at 8:05 and our district has a two-hour delay. What time should the bus pick him up?"** Answer: "10:05!" :)

**"If my district has a two-hour delay, will my child be marked tardy when he/she comes two hours late to school?"** Answer: "No."

**"If my district is closed and my child doesn't come to school, will he/she be marked absent?"** Answer: "No."

**"The district in which we live has a two-hour delay (or is closed). If we find alternate transportation, may we bring our child to school anyway?"** Answer: "Yes. As long as we are not closed, students may come to school via other transportation if you think it is safe to travel. In the case of a two-hour delay, informing your child's bus company that you are using alternate transportation would be considerate."



See 2<sup>nd</sup> page for the exceptions to the rule for NK/Arnold & Burrell busing.

## NEW KENSINGTON / BURRELL Exceptions

In 2014, New Kensington/Arnold and Burrell school districts threw a wrench in our snow-delay plan. It is as follows:

Assuming CCA has not closed, if New Kensington/Arnold school district and Burrell school district are open or delayed, but Allegheny Valley school district is delayed or closed, New Kensington and Burrell busing would follow Allegheny Valley's lead that roads must be treacherous around the Academy so they will follow AV's announcement rather than their own status.

So...

If your district is either NK or Burrell and it is closed, no busing will be provided. That is a no brainer.

Here's where it gets tricky...

If your district is either NK or Burrell and it is open or delayed but AV is closed, busing will not be provided for NK & Burrell students.

If your district is either NK or Burrell and it is open or delayed and AV is delayed, busing will also be delayed for NK & Burrell students.

If your district is either NK or Burrell and it is delayed and AV is open, busing will be delayed for NK & Burrell students.