

<p>PRESTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION</p> <p>FILE: 11 - STUDENTS</p> <p>File: 11-30 Restrictions on Athletic Events, Practices and Other School Activities When Schools are Closed</p>	<p>Last Reviewed: 8-9-10</p> <p>Next Review: 7-1-12</p>
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The Preston County Board of Education recognizes its responsibility to insure the safety of students, teachers and parents who participate in school activities sets forth the guidelines below to govern evening school activities when schools have been closed because of weather conditions or other calamitous conditions.

Athletic Contests

Athletic contests that have been scheduled for a date when school has been closed will automatically be postponed or cancelled. It shall be the responsibility of the principal and/or the athletic director to make the appropriate arrangements with the opposing team and officials. Postponed contests may be rescheduled on a date that is mutually agreeable to the schools involved. The principal shall have discretion in canceling or playing contests scheduled on Saturday, if school has been dismissed early or cancelled on Friday.

Practice Sessions

All practice sessions for athletic and other school activities shall be cancelled when school has been cancelled. Permission may be obtained to hold practice sessions for activities if the principal feels a practice session is necessary. Student participation in these practice sessions will be voluntary and they shall not be penalized for failure to attend them. Weather conditions and other safety factors should determine whether or not practice sessions are scheduled.

Social Events

All social events shall be cancelled or postponed when they are scheduled for a date when schools are not in session.

Activities Scheduled by Community Groups or Organizations

Community groups or organizations that have scheduled activities in school facilities shall cancel or postpone said activities when they are scheduled for a date when school has been closed. It shall be the responsibility of the person in charge of these groups to make arrangements for cancellations or postponements.

Night Classes

All night classes, including those offered by the school system and those offered by colleges and universities shall be cancelled when they are scheduled for a date the county schools are closed because of weather conditions or other calamitous conditions.

Early Dismissal

Activities scheduled at the school may be cancelled if weather conditions or other calamitous conditions force the closing of school prior to the regular dismissal time.

Exceptions

The Superintendent of schools shall have authority to make exceptions when, in his judgment, extenuating circumstances dictate a need for exception.

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