

Barrie School Inclement Weather Policy

Full School Closings

Barrie follows Montgomery County Schools regarding weather-related full closings. When Montgomery County Schools are closed, Barrie will also be closed. Barrie's switchboard (301-576-2800) and the Barrie website will maintain current emergency information. In addition, school closures will be announced on local radio and TV stations. Finally, this information will also be delivered to all families through email, text, and phone message via our emergency communications system. This system uses contact information from our database; if you receive any of the messages (email, text, or phone) to an incorrect address or number, please let the Montessori or Prep division offices know.

An important note: should Montgomery County Schools be operating on a regular schedule, but campus conditions necessitate closing Barrie's campus (e.g., downed trees, power loss, creek flooding), a message will be posted on our homepage and delivered via the emergency communications system.

Delayed Opening

Barrie follows Montgomery County Schools regarding delayed openings due to weather. When Montgomery County Schools are delayed, Barrie will open at 10:00am.

During delayed openings there will be no early morning supervision. Again, information regarding delayed openings will be available on the school's switchboard (301-576-2800) and website, and via the emergency communications system.

Early Dismissal

In the instance of early dismissals, Barrie makes determinations independent of Montgomery County Schools (although we do take their actions into account). We maintain this independence as the County Schools face far greater logistical issues with early closings than we do as an independent school. As always, the safety of our students is our highest priority in these situations.

If an event requires the Barrie to dismiss early, this information will be delivered via the school's switchboard (301-576-2800) and website, and via the emergency communications system. Also, if Montgomery County Schools call for an early dismissal and Barrie determines that we can continue normal operations, this information will be communicated via the above channels. If we do have an early dismissal, students who have not been picked up by the early closing time will remain with school staff on campus until parents arrive to take them home. There will be no afternoon supervision, athletic events, or practices on these days.