



## Inclement Weather/School Cancelation Policy

The Little Dolphin School may close during times of severe inclement weather. Safety of our families and staff are of supreme importance to us. However, we do recognize the inconvenience of school closures on working families. Therefore, we will make every attempt at utilizing delayed openings and/or early closings so that our parents can get to work during winter storms.

Unlike the public schools, where legal issues of busing young children determine the frequency of school closures, Little Dolphin uses a different threshold of inclemency for winter storms, including the following:

1. dangerous icing
2. timing of severe weather
3. magnitude of the winter storm
4. deterioration/status of road conditions
5. ability of school staff to get to work

We recognize that the forecasting and response to winter weather is much more art than science. Please be aware that great care and thought go into making every winter storm decision. Balancing child care coverage (some teachers travel 40 miles each way) with parents' demanding work schedules is always challenging!

We truly appreciate your patience and support during difficult winters such as the one we just endured. As always, we welcome your ideas and input. Thank you for being a part of our family!