



Odyssey Charter School

Nurturing a Lifelong Love of Learning

Inclement Weather / Cancellation of School Procedures

2010 -2011

Odyssey Charter School has established specific procedures for any and all school closing emergencies. It is important that you are familiar with these school closing procedures, and that you review them with your children **before** a weather emergency occurs.

This way, you and your family, as well as our school staff, have the opportunity to prepare and provide the safest course of action during a school closing.

❖ School Closings

Odyssey Charter School will implement any closings during inclement weather or other school emergency based upon level of severity and local district policies. An **AlertNow** notification will be sent via telephone and e-mail. Also, please tune in to local radio stations or check the state's school closing website.

❖ Delayed Openings

In the event of a delayed opening, the school will not be able to accept children in the buildings until the rescheduled time appointed for the delay. School buses will run according to the *new* school opening time, so families using the bus will need to adjust their schedule appropriately. An **AlertNow** notification will be sent via telephone and e-mail. **Please be sure to check for any updates, in the event the weather becomes worse and a delay moves to a complete closing.**

❖ Emergency Early Dismissals

When there is an emergency early dismissal, the school will follow the instructions you selected on the Early Dismissal Form (the form filled out earlier in the school year). An **AlertNow** notification will be sent via telephone and e-mail to all contact numbers and e-mail addresses.

COMMUNICATION OF CLOSINGS

Odyssey Charter School will communicate any weather related school closings, late openings, and early dismissals through various media outlets. In addition to an **AlertNow** notification, radio, and internet will all be utilized to announce and update any and all closings. Below is a specific list of resources used to announce school closings.

- ❖ **State of Delaware School Closing Website:** <http://schoolclosings.delaware.gov/>
- ❖ **State of Delaware School Closing Phone Number:** 1-877-831-7215 (voice activated)
- ❖ **Radio Stations:** WDEL 1150 AM / WILM 1450 AM / WJBR 99.5 FM or 1290 AM