

SJES Inclement Weather Plan

Our School Community Council reviewed and approved our inclement weather plan on Tuesday, October 15, 2019. Guidelines were established for “inside days” when temperatures (including wind chill) are too cold or air quality is so poor that children should not be outside for extended periods of time.

An “inside day” is recommended when the temperature outside falls below 20 degrees Fahrenheit (including wind chill). It is understood that individual students may need temporary or long-term accommodations for health conditions exacerbated by temperature extremes – high or low. Accommodations will be made upon parent request.

As per Utah Dept. of Health guidelines, all students will be kept inside when PM 2.5 levels exceed 55 (air quality). Students who suffer from asthma or other respiratory problems, including a cold or bronchitis, will be accommodated inside at lower PM 2.5 levels upon parent request.

Lightning in proximity to the campus, extreme winds, and/or significant wet precipitation are considered grounds for keeping students inside for all or part of a school day.

Students are invited to come into the building as they arrive on “inside” days. Those who arrive prior to 8:15 a.m. are supervised in the gym/cafeteria area. After that time, students report directly to their classrooms. Temperature and air quality tend to fluctuate over the course of a day along the Wasatch Front. Decisions on whether to allow outside recess are made throughout the day based on current available information.

It is recommended that you send your child to school dressed for the predicted weather. We want our students to consistently enjoy the benefits of outdoor activity and fresh air without experiencing serious physical discomfort. Resources may be available to help outfit students lacking winter clothing. Please contact the main office if this is a concern.