



Guidelines for Suspension of Classes Due to Adverse Weather

The safety of our students and staff is our priority, so in the event of extreme weather it may be necessary to modify our school schedules on occasion. As always, parents are advised to use their best judgment in determining whether to send their children to school when inclement weather conditions or other road or safety conditions prevail.

Any decision to suspend on-campus classes or delay opening due to weather or other events will be made by the Head of School, or when absent, by one of the Principals, after considering the advice of the Government and/or relevant school officials where appropriate. The school will suspend on-campus classes temporarily in the following circumstances:

- Extreme weather conditions
- Instruction from the Education Bureau, the Department of Health, or other Statutory Agency of the Government of Hong Kong that is empowered to close schools
- Emergency or critical incident
- Risk to health or safety
- Special events in Hong Kong
- Traffic conditions

The Education Department usually makes a decision at 6am on such mornings (and 10am for afternoon classes). Under normal circumstances, CDNIS will follow the Government's recommendation and will not call parents directly. Under normal circumstances, the Head of School shall ensure adequate notice is given to the parents through a variety of media. Parents are advised to check their CDNIS email account and Toddle app for updates regularly when classes are suspended. Parents should also pay close attention to television/radio announcements, as well as Government websites. CDNIS will not call parents directly, and parents are responsible for checking any announcements.

Learning Procedures During On-Campus Class Cancellation

Learning procedures are designed to be age-appropriate.

- On the first day of on-campus class cancellation, learning materials will be posted on Toddle for Nursery to Grade 12 students.
- On the second and subsequent consecutive school days, age-appropriate online teaching will also be offered (provided it is safe to do so):
 - Lower School provides optional morning meetings and check-ins.
 - Upper school provides mandatory synchronous online learning, with online classes following that day's class schedule and MS video meeting links accessed via the students' Toddle calendar.
- After school activities, weekend activities and holiday camps do not provide alternative learning materials during class cancellation.



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Useful Websites:

www.cdnis.edu.hk
www.hko.gov.hk
www.epd.gov.hk
www.edb.gov.hk
www.chp.gov.hk

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 Hong Kong Observatory
 Environmental Protection Department
 Education Bureau
 Centre for Health Protection

The following guidelines illustrate EDB school cancellation protocols:

STUDENTS							
SIGNAL	 雷暴 Thunderstorm	 Amber 黄	 Red 紅	 Black 黑	T1	L3	▼8 SW 西南 ▲8 NW 西北 ▲8 NE 東北 ▼8 SE 東南
WARNING	Thunderstorm Warning	Amber Rain Warning	Red Rain Warning	Black Rain Warning	Typhoon Signal 1	Typhoon Signal 3	Typhoon Signal 8
Nursery - EY1 AM Class	CLASSES IN SESSION		ON CAMPUS CLASSES SUSPENDED		CLASSES IN SESSION	ON CAMPUS CLASSES SUSPENDED	ON CAMPUS CLASSES SUSPENDED
Nursery - EY1 PM Class							
EY2							
Prep - Gr 12							
During school or ASA			ACTIVITIES CONTINUE (weather permitting)				CLASSES CONTINUE until regular dismissal or it is safe to leave
After School & Weekend Activities	ACTIVITIES SUSPENDED	ACTIVITIES CONTINUE (weather permitting)		ACTIVITIES SUSPENDED			

*Classes are in session during T3 for Prep-G12 only. If T3 is announced after 6am (or 10am for afternoon classes), classes continue for any Nursery, EY1 and EY2 students who have already arrived at school only until it is safe to leave.

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