

ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS POLICY

Policy Name	Adverse Weather Conditions Policy	Policy No.	WPSH_PLC_090
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Date of Next Review	March 2027	Person in-charge	Mr. Sanoj K K

1. Purpose

This policy outlines the procedures to ensure the safety and wellbeing of students, staff, and the school community during adverse weather conditions such as fog, heavy rain, sandstorms, and extreme heat. It aligns with the directives of the UAE Ministry of Education, KHDA, ADEK, and the National Centre of Meteorology (NCM).

2. Scope

This policy applies to:

- All students (KG–Grade 10)
- Teaching and non-teaching staff
- School transport providers
- Parents and guardians

3. Monitoring and Decision-Making

- The school leadership team will monitor official weather forecasts daily from the NCM and follow advisories issued by police and education authorities.
- Decisions regarding delayed start, early dismissal, or closure will be made immediately upon receiving official updates.
- No action will be taken on unverified information circulating on social media.

4. Emergency Procedures

- **Fog:** Possible delayed start to ensure safe student travel. Buses will only operate after clearance from police and transport authorities.
- **Heavy Rain/Thunderstorms:** Students will remain indoors until it is safe. Outdoor activities and trips will be postponed.
- **Dust/Sandstorms:** All outdoor exposure will be restricted. Students with asthma or respiratory issues will be closely monitored.
- **Extreme Heat Alerts:** Outdoor activities, PE classes, and assemblies will be rescheduled indoors.

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5. Transport Arrangements

- The school will coordinate with bus operators to delay or adjust routes as necessary.
- Students will never be sent home early without prior parent notification and consent.
- Drivers and bus attendants will receive regular training on safety protocols during adverse weather.

6. Communication with Parents

- Parents will be informed promptly via SMS, email, the school app, website, and social media.
- Messages will include clear instructions regarding changes in school timing, transport adjustments, and safety precautions.
- Emergency contact numbers will remain active for parent queries.

7. Staff Responsibilities

- Teachers will supervise students indoors and reassure them during disruptions.
- The Health & Safety Officer will ensure all emergency plans are followed.
- The Principal (or delegated authority) will make final decisions in consultation with regulatory bodies.

8. Review and Training

- The policy will be reviewed annually or after any major weather-related incident.
- Regular drills will be conducted to ensure staff and students are familiar with procedures.

This policy ensures that student safety remains the highest priority while maintaining smooth communication and compliance with UAE regulations.



Principal.