



## **SNOW DAYS, DELAYED OPENINGS, AND EARLY DISMISSAL DAYS**

During the season with inclement weather, the decision to have a delayed opening, snow day, or early dismissal is made by the Manchester School system. The announcement, “Manchester Public Schools”, is made on radio stations WTIC 1080AM & WTIC 96.5FM, TV stations WVIT (NBC “Channel 30”) and WFSB (CBS “Channel 3”), and websites [www.nbcconnecticut.com](http://www.nbcconnecticut.com) and [www.wfsb.com](http://www.wfsb.com). **Please sign up for automatic email or text notification at either of these websites.** In addition, the school will send email notification of any delays, cancellations, or early dismissals. If you do not currently receive school emails, please visit [saintjames.school.net](http://saintjames.school.net) and click on the link under “Parent E-Mail Notification Group”. You may register as many e-mail addresses as you wish. If you do not have email or texting capabilities, please listen and watch for announcements on the radio, computer, or TV and have plans in place between you and your child/ren for early dismissals. If a delayed opening is announced, continue to check for updates in case a later announcement cancels school.

The schedule for a **90-minute delayed opening** is as follows:

- Half-day Kindergarten students will attend school from 9:30 AM to 12:00 Noon
- Full-day K – Grade 8 students will attend school from 9:30 AM to 2:05 PM
- Pre-K Morning Session is cancelled
- Pre-K Full Day Session starts at 9:30 A.M.
- Pre-K Afternoon Session starts at 11:15 A.M.
- There is no before school care if there is a late opening

The schedule for an **early dismissal** is as follows:

- K-8 will operate on a 4-hour day schedule, with dismissal at 12:05 PM.
- Pre-K Morning Session dismisses at 10:45 A.M.
- Pre-K Full Day Session dismisses at 12:00 Noon.
- Pre-K Afternoon Session is cancelled.

It is the responsibility of parents to make arrangements for their children and to be sure that the children are aware of the arrangements. **If the weather forecast indicates that an early dismissal is possible, parents should discuss the plan for an early dismissal in the morning before school.** The school is unable to call parents to inform them of an early dismissal. **The extended day program is cancelled on early dismissal days, and all students must be picked up from extended day no later than 1:00 PM.**