



To: All Solvay BASCOL Parents/Guardians
From: Natalie R. Scavone, Interim Executive Director
Date: November 5, 2018
RE: SNOW DAYS

As winter approaches, this is a reminder of how BASCOL operates for all registered BASCOL children when normal school hours are altered due to weather or other conditions. The following highlights are BASCOL's procedures during these special days when the weather is too severe for school to continue, but great for an exciting special day at BASCOL.

Please Note: Additional Fees for Extended Child Care hours may apply. Please see page 11 of your BASCOL Parent Handbook.

IF there is a delay in the time school opens:

THEN:

- BASCOL opens at 6:30 am at Solvay Elementary and remains open with activities and programming until the time the school day begins.
- **BASCOL can only guarantee room for a child who is regularly scheduled for that morning. If your child does not attend all mornings, attends after school only or is SHO PLUS, we cannot guarantee room for your child on a school delay.** You will need to call the BASCOL Office at 7:30am or call the Emergency Pager at 315-467-3872 to see if we have space to add your child to our program. If you show up at the site without calling the BASCOL Office first, your child may not be able to stay due to maintaining staff to child ratio.
- ****PLEASE NOTE: If the school district goes from a delay to a closing, you will need to pick up your child from BASCOL and transport to St. Ann's location.****

IF the district decides that school will not open due to snow or other conditions prior to the start of school:

THEN: BASCOL is OPEN to all registered BASCOL children from 6:30 am until 6:00 pm **AT ST. ANN'S SCHOOL LOCATED @ 4471 ONONDAGA BLVD.**

- Please pack a lunch, including a beverage for your child.
- BASCOL will serve a morning snack and afternoon snack as usual.

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- Please pack outdoor clothing for your child. The temperature outside dictates how long we play outside, but we usually go outside, even if for just a few minutes, to play in the snow. Hats, gloves or mittens, snowsuit, boots, extra socks and pants are needed to ensure your child is warm and dressed appropriately for outdoor play. Please be sure to pack these for your child every time there is a snow day **and daily at BASCOL during snowy months.**

IF the school district calls for early dismissal once school has begun:

THEN:

- When school is dismissed, **if BASCOL remains open**, Solvay Elementary children will walk to the BASCOL room. Middle school children will be transported by District buses to Solvay Elementary.
- **BASCOL can only guarantee room for a child who is regularly scheduled for that afternoon. If your child does not attend all afternoons, attends before school only or is SHO PLUS, we cannot guarantee room for your child on an early dismissal.**
- When school closes due to extreme weather conditions, and the severity of the storm makes entering and exiting the building unsafe for children parents and school personnel, **the school building will be closed and the BASCOL program at Solvay will also close.** BASCOL programming will be available at St. Ann's School. **Parents are responsible for transporting their children to St. Ann's School.** Once they arrive the fun will begin and BASCOL will be open until 6:00pm.
- There will be days when the afterschool activities at Solvay are cancelled, but the BASCOL program at Solvay will remain open. Please watch for Solvay's and BASCOL's program closings on your local news channels or radio stations.

BASCOL is open at 6:30 am until 6:00 pm whenever school is closed or normal school hours are altered. **However, in case of an extreme emergency, if BASCOL were to delay or close, it would be announced on local television and radio stations, as follows:**

TV stations = WSTM-TV3, WTVH-TV5, & 9WSYR.

Radio stations = Y94, WHEN, 107.9, B104.7 and WSYR.

Please feel free to contact the BASCOL Office @ 315-622-4815, if you have any questions, comments or concerns.