

Inclement Weather/Closing Policy

At times when the weather becomes hazardous to the health and safety of the community and/or library staff, the Library facility will close to the public.

There are times prior to opening, especially in winter, when the weather could threaten the safety of the community and library staff and would make reasonably safe travel to the library impossible. At such times, it may be necessary to not open the Library facility in part or in full.

Furthermore, there are times during operating hours, especially in winter, when the weather threatens the safety of the community and library staff and would make reasonably safe travel to and from the library impossible. At such times, it may be necessary to close the Library facility early.

The decision to close or postpone the opening of the Library facility due to inclement weather is at the discretion of the Library Board of Trustees and the Library Director or in the absence of the Library Director, the Reference Librarian or the Youth Librarian.

In order to meet the needs of the community during inclement weather, Library facility hours may be extended prior to the event and items due may be backdated for a specified time. Remote reference help and virtual programs may be offered by staff working off-site, at the discretion of the Library Board and the Library Director.

Staff will follow the "Inclement Weather Procedure" outlined in the Library Emergency Plan.

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