



**SOLOMON SCHECHTER  
DAY SCHOOL OF  
NASSAU COUNTY**

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HIGH SCHOOL  
OF LONG ISLAND**



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Dear Parents and Students:

With the advent of the winter season quickly approaching, we wanted to review our snow day procedures with you. The decision to close or open the school will be made by the Executive Director and school president based on a careful review of all factors: the current and anticipated weather for the day, what the public school districts in which our dominant student populations are doing, what the bus companies recommend, etc.

This year the School has once again contracted with an outside vendor, an automatic dialing service to provide timely notification of school closures and delayed openings in the event of inclement weather or other emergencies. Families will be notified of school closings and other important information via the automatic dialing service. For those of you with Caller ID, the telephone number referenced for these automated calls will always be 516-656-5500. Further notice of school cancellations and delays will be recorded by Rabbi Lev Herrnson or me alone.

We will also post information on our web site [www.ssdnassau.org](http://www.ssdnassau.org) and in *News 12* and *1010 WINS*. You can check *News 12* on your TV or *1010 WINS* on your radio to see if we are listed. Please note that the lower school (Jericho) and the upper school (Glen Cove) will be listed separately on the *News 12* announcements, but will remain listed as one entity - Solomon Schechter of Jericho and Glen Cove - on *1010 WINS*.

We will try to make the decision to close or open as early as possible, but in borderline weather situations, or in the situation where snow is expected to start *later* in the day, this is not always possible. *It is generally our policy that if one school closes, both school campuses will close.* We also tend to mirror the school districts we are in – Jericho and Glen Cove – and if they close, we usually close.

*If we decide to open*, we still may have a *delayed* opening which will be indicated in the media announcements as well. Another scenario is that we open and have an *early dismissal* for the upper school, with special consideration given to those students living a farther distance from the school and who do not receive district transportation. For the younger students (ES), it is our policy to remain open until regular dismissal. However, parents should feel free to pick up their child if they so choose.

The reason for this is two-fold: (1) for our younger students in the ES, it is generally more problematic to have an early dismissal, since they will need someone to receive and supervise them at home and, (2) weather conditions may be slightly different for each school because they are located in different parts of the Island. *Please be assured that if there is no one available to receive a younger child (lower school) at home, we will keep that child in school with staff supervision until such time as the dismissal bus arrives or you or someone designated by you comes to pick him or her up.*

In all cases, we will always strive to do what is best for your children. We appreciate your cooperation and understanding and look forward to a productive and safe winter season. If you have any questions, please call me at (516) 656-5500, extension 1225.

Very Truly Yours,

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