

Should school be in session during a winter storm warning?

Dear Dr. Abdella,

I think school should not be in session during a winter storm warning. The National Weather Service says that the roads will be very hazardous during a winter storm. Buses and cars could get stuck in the snow, or get in accidents. The snow will be deep and that could cause injuries. Also, government places will be closed and employees sent home because it is a snow emergency. Even more, the governor is sending state workers home. Yet, students are still at school, with roads that are dangerous and filling up with snow.

The constitution says all Americans have the right to be safe and alive. But when the roads are slippery and full of snow, people could be at risk. They could get injured, or worse, because of the snow.

Another core democratic value that matches my idea is common good. That means Americans should do what is good for everyone. Being in school during a winter storm warning is not good for everyone because buses could be in accidents, and that would put people in harm's way.

I surveyed 19 people and 100% said no, school should not be in session during a winter storm. That means that people agree with my idea.

For all these reasons, I think we should not have school when it's a winter storm warning. It is dangerous to drive in the snow. Americans should be safe, and they might not be when we are at school during a major snow storm. Americans should do what is good for everyone, and I think that is to stay off the roads during a winter storm warning. And everyone I asked agreed with me.

Regards,

Mr. Howd's class