

Dear FDNsc community,

During the winter months here in WNC the weather, as we all know, can be unpredictable. We know how challenging it can be to deal with the impact of having school closed or on a delay. As a small public charter school, we have elected to make our own decisions about school closings, delayed starts, and early pick ups. We believe that this gives us the ability to make a decision that best reflects all of the members of our school community; students, teachers, support staff, and family members.

Less than 1/2 of our staff and students and their families live within the Asheville City School limits; with [some](#) hailing from outside of Buncombe county. When we make a decision to close or delay school, it is with the best interest and safety of all of the members of our community in mind.

Contacting our administrative staff about the decision before it has been made and communicated with the school community causes further delays. If you have a concern, please email Board Vice Chair, Jackie Latek jackie@fdnsc.net

To be up to date with inclement weather delays and closings, please ensure you are on Nancy's office@fdnsc.net call list (to receive text messages and emails) as well as on WLOS inclement weather closings text alerts (which are updated by the minute as decisions from schools come in) <http://wlos.com/weather/closings>

Thank you for your understanding as we move through another winter season.

Respectfully,

Francine Delany New School for Children Board of Directors

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