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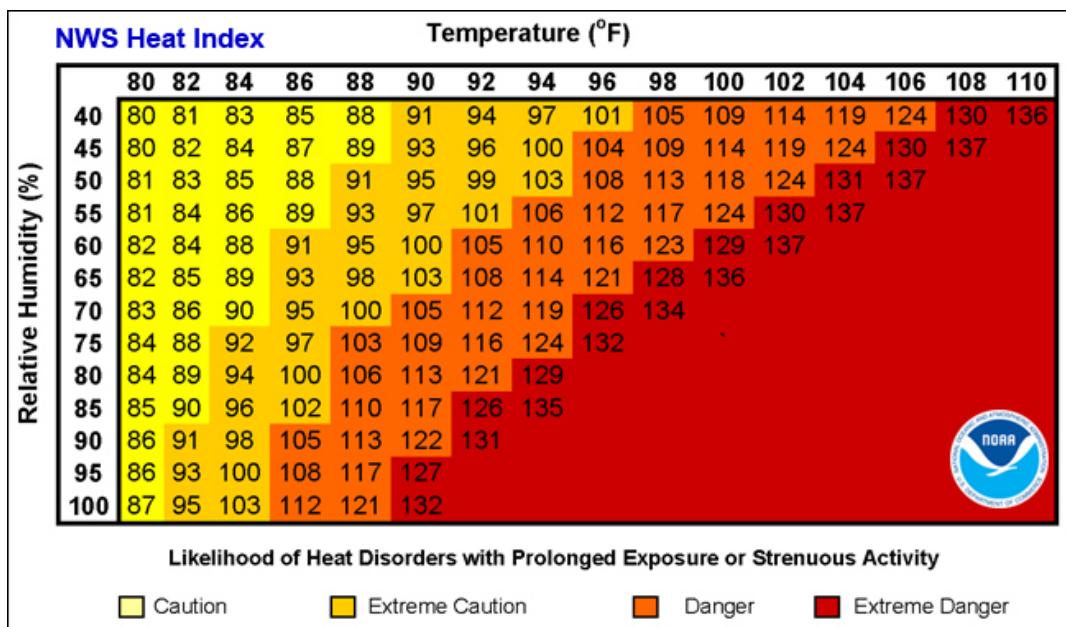
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PROGRAM INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY (v.1)

Heat Advisory

The Heat Index will be used for putting precautions in place for our programming. The Heat Index is a measurement that combines air temperature and humidity in order to determine the human-perceived equivalent temperature. General preventative precautions will be followed according to the Heat Index. The threshold for implementing program alterations will be if the Heat Index is 95 or above as determined by the National Weather Service.



Classification	Heat Index	Effect on the body
Caution	80°F - 89°F	Fatigue possible with prolonged exposure and/or physical activity
Extreme Caution	90°F - 102°F	Heat stroke, heat cramps, or heat exhaustion possible with prolonged exposure and/or physical activity
Danger	103°F - 124°F	Heat cramps or heat exhaustion likely, and heat stroke possible with prolonged exposure and/or physical activity
Extreme Danger	125°F or higher	Heat stroke highly likely

Precautions that will be implemented are:

- Limit outdoor activity, especially in the afternoon.
- Ensure children are given frequent rest breaks and drinking plenty of fluids.
- Staff will be vigilant on observing the signs of heat related illnesses.
- Staff will ensure participants are protected from the sun by using sunscreen, hats and other UV clothing provided by guardians.
- If the Heat Index is 103 or higher all activities will be moved indoors or canceled.

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Air Quality

The Air Quality Index will be used for putting precautions in place for our programming. The Air Quality Index (AQI) is used for reporting daily air quality. It tells you how clean or polluted your air is, and what associated health effects might be a concern for you. The AQI focuses on health affects you may experience within a few hours or days after breathing polluted air. EPA calculates the AQI for five major air pollutants regulated by the Clean Air Act: ground-level ozone, particle pollution (also known as particulate matter), carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide, and nitrogen dioxide. For each of these pollutants, EPA has established national air quality standards to protect public health. Ground-level ozone and airborne particles are the two pollutants that pose the greatest threat to human health in this country. The threshold for implementing program alterations will be if the Air Quality Index is 101 or above as determined by the Environmental Protection Agency.

Daily AQI Color	Levels of Concern	Values of Index	Description of Air Quality
Green	Good	0 to 50	Air quality is satisfactory, and air pollution poses little or no risk.
Yellow	Moderate	51 to 100	Air quality is acceptable. However, there may be a risk for some people, particularly those who are unusually sensitive to air pollution.
Orange	Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups	101 to 150	Members of sensitive groups may experience health effects. The general public is less likely to be affected.
Red	Unhealthy	151 to 200	Some members of the general public may experience health effects; members of sensitive groups may experience more serious health effects.
Purple	Very Unhealthy	201 to 300	Health alert: The risk of health effects is increased for everyone.
Maroon	Hazardous	301 and higher	Health warning of emergency conditions: everyone is more likely to be affected.

Precautions that will be implemented are:

- Look for symptoms of shortness of breath or coughing.
- Limit outdoor activity for participants that are sensitive to air pollution.
- Limit other students to light outdoor activities or move the activities indoors.
- Increase rest periods and make substitutions.
- Monitor symptoms and reduce or cease activities if symptoms arise.
- If the Air Quality Index is 151 or higher all activities will be moved indoors or canceled.

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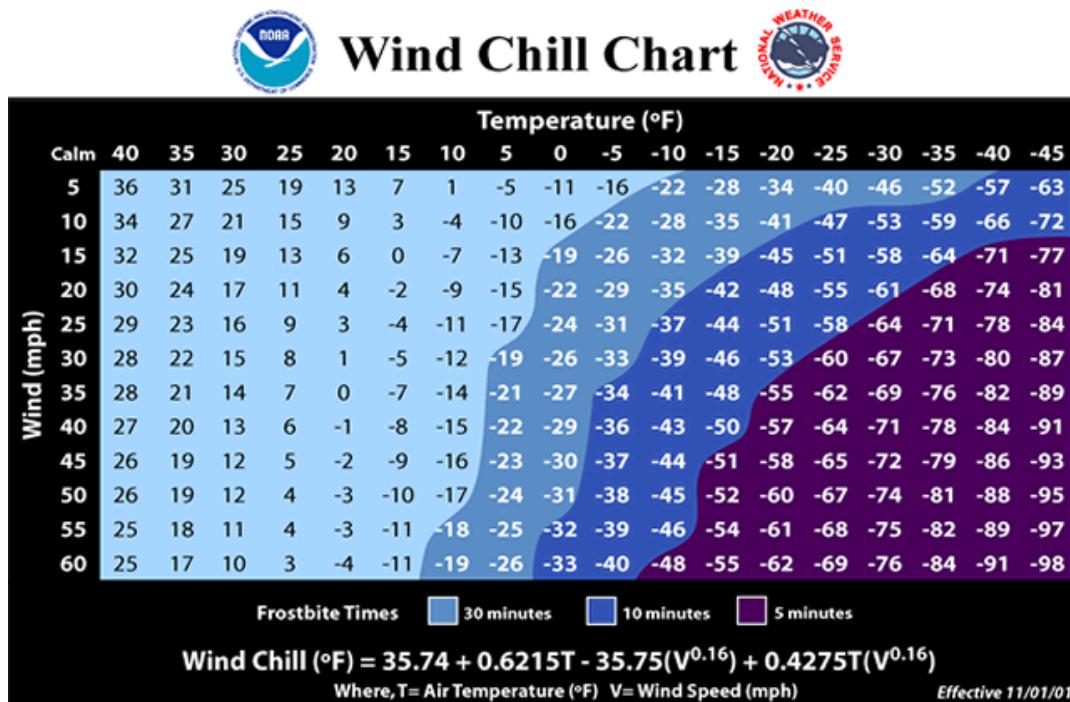
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Thunder & Lightning

- When thunder is heard, or a cloud-to-ground lightning bolt is seen, the thunderstorm is close enough to strike your location with lightning. Suspend play and take shelter immediately.
- Thirty-Minutes Rule. Once play has been suspended, wait at least 30 minutes after the last thunder is heard or flash of lightning is witnessed prior to resuming play.
- Any subsequent thunder or lightning after the beginning of the 30-minute count, reset the clock and another 30-minute count should begin.

Wind Chill

Wind Chill is determined by calculating the outside temperature and wind speed to determine the rate of heat loss on exposed skin. A Wind Chill Watch is issued when wind chill temperatures are expected to be an inconvenience to life with prolonged exposure. A Wind Chill Warning is issued when wind chill temperatures are potentially hazardous and life threatening. General preventative precautions will be followed according to the Wind Chill Chart. The threshold for implementing program alterations will be if the National Weather Service issues a Wind Chill Watch or Warning.



Precautions that will be implemented are:

- Wind Chill Watch: Outdoor activities will be limited or eliminated.
- Wind Chill Warning: There will be no outdoor activities.

1 Wind Chill Warning
Dangerous cold expected! Plan ahead. Very cold air and strong winds means frostbite or hypothermia could occur in a matter of minutes. Limit time outside, dress in layers, and cover up exposed skin.

2 Wind Chill Watch
Dangerous cold possible. Be prepared. There is chance of very cold air and strong winds. Check the forecast, and make sure your loved ones are prepared if dangerous cold weather does occur.

3 Wind Chill Advisory
Cold weather expected. Exercise Caution. Cold and breezy conditions could cause frostbite or hypothermia if precautions are not taken. Dress in layers and cover up exposed skin.

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Cold Temperatures

The threshold for implementing program alterations will be if temperatures fall below freezing (including windchill).

Precautions that will be implemented are:

- Typical wintertime temperatures: Ensure participants are dressed in appropriate clothing.
- If temperatures fall below 0°: Limit outdoor activities to 30 minutes.
- If temperatures fall below -10°: There will be no outdoor activities.



Snowstorms

After School Programs such as KAST & Athletics' will be altered based on SAU70 cancellations & early releases.

SAU70 Snow Day Cancellations:

If school is cancelled all HPR programs are cancelled for the day. HPR reserves the right to cancel or close early even if the SAU does not for the safety of staff and children.

SAU70 Storm Related Delayed Opening:

KAST- No Change.

PLAY- program will open at 9:30am.

SAU70 Storm Related Early Releases:

KAST- will close at 4pm or be cancelled for the entirety of the afternoon depending on conditions.

Athletic Programs- will be cancelled for the afternoon/evening.

1 Winter Storm Warning

Snow, sleet, or ice expected! Take Action! Confidence is high that a winter storm will produce heavy snow, sleet or freezing rain and cause significant impacts.

2 Winter Storm Watch

Snow, sleet, or ice possible! Be prepared. Confidence is medium that a winter storm could produce heavy snow, sleet, or freezing rain and cause significant impacts.

3 Winter Weather Advisory

Wintery weather expected. Exercise caution. Light amounts of wintery precipitation or patchy blowing snow will cause slick conditions and could affect travel if precautions are not taken.

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