

LOCKPORT TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL 205  
SCHOOL CLOSING GUIDELINES

Safety is a priority for all of our students and families. Decisions regarding school closures or change of school start time will be based on the overall conditions of the entire District. The Superintendent is responsible for the decision as to when school will be closed due to inclement weather or emergencies.

**General Guidelines for Winter Related Issues**

**Cold & Wind Chill (please note the two charts used for reference)**

- If the temperature reaches or is forecasted to reach “double digit (-10) degrees and is expected to sustain at such level, the District will strongly consider closing due to increased risk of exposure for students at bus stops.
- If the temperature with wind chill reaches or is forecasted to reach -25 degrees or below and is expected to sustain at such level, the District will strongly consider closing due to the increased risk of exposure for students at bus stops.
- Regarding forecasts of extreme cold, the District Administration will generally make the decision to close by 8:00 p.m. the night before.
  - **Please be advised that in some instances there may be a need to monitor conditions through the evening late news and early morning. In these instances, a decision about the opening of school will be made by 5:30 a.m.**

**Snow Storm**

- Closing school or modifying the start time due to snow or expected snow is dependent upon the amount of snow and the time the storm arrives. Storms that are well enough in advance of school start time or after the start of school may provide sufficient time for school to remain open or begin on a late start bell schedule.
  - **Please be advised that in some instances there may be a need to monitor conditions through the evening late news and early morning. In these instances, a decision about the opening of school will be made by 5:30 a.m.**

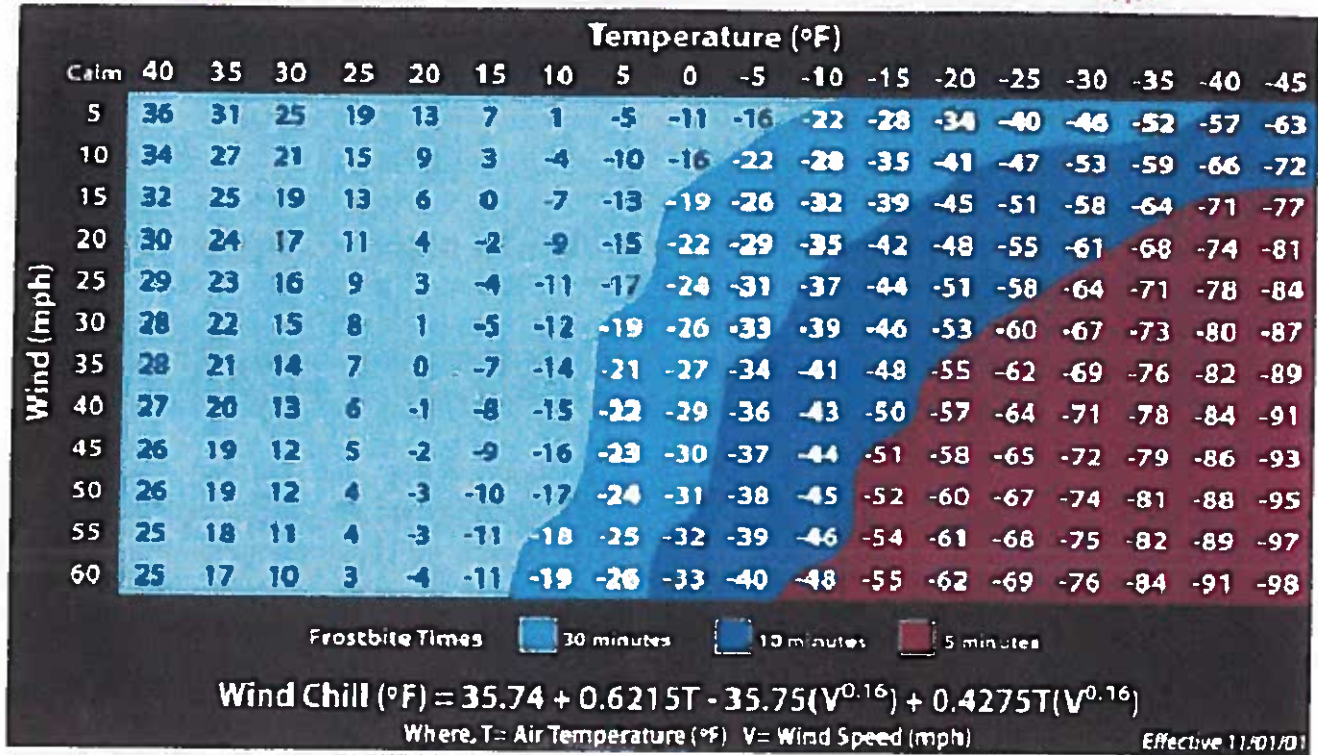
**Additional Information**

- If schools are closed and unless otherwise stated, all school related activities are canceled.
- 12 month employees are expected to report to work.
- School website [www.lths.org](http://www.lths.org)
- Emergency School Closing Site [www.emergencyclosing.com](http://www.emergencyclosing.com)

# Temperature/Wind Chill Reference Charts



## NWS Windchill Chart



### Wind Chill Temperature Table

Wind Speed (mph)	Air Temperature (°F)																	
	40	35	30	25	20	15	10	5	0	-5	-10	-15	-20	-25	-30	-35	-40	-45
0	40	35	30	25	20	15	10	5	0	-5	-10	-15	-20	-25	-30	-35	-40	-45
5	36	31	25	19	13	7	1	-5	-11	-16	-22	-28	-34	-40	-46	-52	-57	-63
10	34	27	21	15	9	3	-4	-10	-16	-22	-28	-35	-41	-47	-53	-59	-66	-72
15	32	25	19	13	6	0	-7	-13	-19	-26	-32	-39	-45	-51	-58	-64	-71	-77
20	30	24	17	11	4	-2	-9	-15	-22	-29	-35	-42	-48	-55	-61	-68	-74	-81
25	29	23	16	9	3	-4	-11	25	-24	-31	-37	-44	-51	-58	-64	-71	-78	-84
30	28	22	15	8	1	-5	-12	-19	-26	-33	-39	-46	-53	-60	-67	-73	-80	-87
35	28	21	14	7	0	-7	-14	-21	-27	-34	-41	-48	-55	-62	-69	-76	-82	-89
40	27	20	13	6	-1	-8	-15	-22	-29	-36	-43	-50	-57	-64	-71	-78	-84	-91
45	26	19	12	5	-2	-9	-16	-23	-30	-37	-44	-51	-58	-65	-72	-79	-86	-93
50	26	19	12	4	-3	-10	-17	-24	-31	-38	-45	-52	-60	-67	-74	-81	-88	-95

LITTLE DANGER
INCREASED DANGER
GREAT DANGER

**RISK OF FROSTBITE** (see times on chart below)

- GREEN      LITTLE DANGER (frostbite occurs in >2 hours in dry, exposed skin)
- YELLOW    INCREASED DANGER (frostbite could occur in 45 minutes or less in dry, exposed skin)
- RED        GREAT DANGER (frostbite could occur in 5 minutes or less in dry, exposed skin)