

WEATHER EMERGENCY PLAN

The State University of New York at Cobleskill is a residential community and must stay open at all times. Only the Governor has the authority to close the campus. However, there are occasions when a weather emergency will create the need for:

- Cancellation of classes
- Early dismissal

In all cases, employees and students must use their best judgment in determining their own safety when traveling to and from the campus. Leave accruals must be charged unless the Governor officially closes the campus.

The official notification regarding a weather emergency will be made to the campus community by the President of the College or his designee. The decision to declare a weather emergency will be made by the Director of the Physical Plant, the Director of University Police, and the President or his designee. **In most cases, Steven Ackerknecht**, Vice President for Student Affairs and Collegiate Life, is the designee.

The Vice Presidents, directors and department heads are responsible for creating a telephone tree and thereby communicating the weather emergency plan to all staff and faculty in their area of responsibility.

The Vice President for Student Affairs and Collegiate Life will place an appropriate weather-related message on the campus voice mail system, the website and campus Weather Emergency Hotline 255-6000 by 6:00 am.

The weather emergency announcement will be broadcast over:

- Capital News 9
- WNYT TV (13)
- WRGB TV (6)
- WTEN TV (10)
- WXXA TV (8)
- WRVE The River
- WGY 810 AM
- WYJB B95.5
- WFLY 92

Despite our best efforts, a class cancellation notice for SUNY Cobleskill may get listed among the "school closings" on radio and television stations. Be reminded that this normally means only that classes are cancelled, not that the campus is closed.

Faculty members are responsible for notifying their students by the voice mail system regarding any additional changes in class schedules caused by the weather.