

KENT COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION WEATHER CANCELLATION & ANNOUNCEMENT POLICY

Weather closing information and general announcements are posted on the Parks and Recreation home page **chalk board** at www.KentParksAndRec.org, at www.facebook.com/KentCountyCommunityCenter, and our **Weather Cancellation Hotline** at 410-810-3755 as weather conditions warrant (usually no later than 7:30 am or 3 pm for evening programs) the day in question when weather related). **Whenever possible** (*we will do our best, but can't guarantee this will always happen*), a courtesy email will be sent to individuals who have provided an e-mail address for announcements and notifications. If you do not receive an email and the weather is questionable, please visit our website homepage, Facebook, or call the Weather Cancellation Hotline. Individual phone calls will not be made.

KENT COUNTY COMMUNITY CENTER: In general, when Kent County Public Schools close, close early, or cancel evening programs due to inclement weather, *all regularly scheduled Parks and Recreation programs at all schools are closed*. In this case (generally), the Community Center and Parks and Recreation facilities will be open to the public on a drop-in basis when Kent County Government is open, however the operating schedule may be adjusted as needed as weather conditions warrant or in case of emergencies. *If Kent County Government offices have a delayed opening or liberal leave is in effect, all morning programs starting before 10 am are closed.*

SCHOOL YEAR ANNOUNCEMENTS (SEPTEMBER - MAY): In general, if Kent County Public Schools (KCPS) are closed, close early, or cancel evening programs, all programs at public school sites are closed. Kent County Parks and Recreation (KCPR) youth programs at the Kent County Community Center (KCCC) and KCPR facilities are closed when county facilities remain *open. KCPR adult programs at county facilities (Community Center) will be open when county facilities remain *open.

If KCPS are one hour or 90 minutes late, morning programs will be open. If KCPS are two hours late, morning KCPR programs will be closed. These general policies do not necessarily apply to programs offered by private vendors (please refer to program description) at the Community Center as they determine their opening and closing schedules when the Community Center remains *open on a normal operating schedule when there is inclement weather.

***All programs are closed when the Snow Emergency Plan or the State of Emergency Plan is in effect, however, should a Plan(s) be lifted by 2 pm, evening adult programs will generally be open. In consideration of other factors, programs may be cancelled. This will be determined on a case by case basis.**

***Morning and Afternoon adult program status is TBD pending Kent County Government opening.**

WEEKEND/SUMMER ANNOUNCEMENTS: In general, announcements for weekend and/or summer programs and events held at the KCCC or a KCPR facility are posted by 8 am on the day in question (whenever possible). Decisions for programs with a start time before 8 am will be posted by 10 pm the night before.