



## Do you know your Schools Weather Zone?

STOPR has established a procedure to monitor weather forecasts and road conditions during the winter months. ([Procedure STOPR029](#))

**When it is necessary to cancel school bus transportation due to inclement weather, STOPR will cancel by weather “zones.”**

The Region of Peel has been divided into three weather zones as weather conditions may require cancellation in a specific zone.

### How do I know what weather zone my school is in?

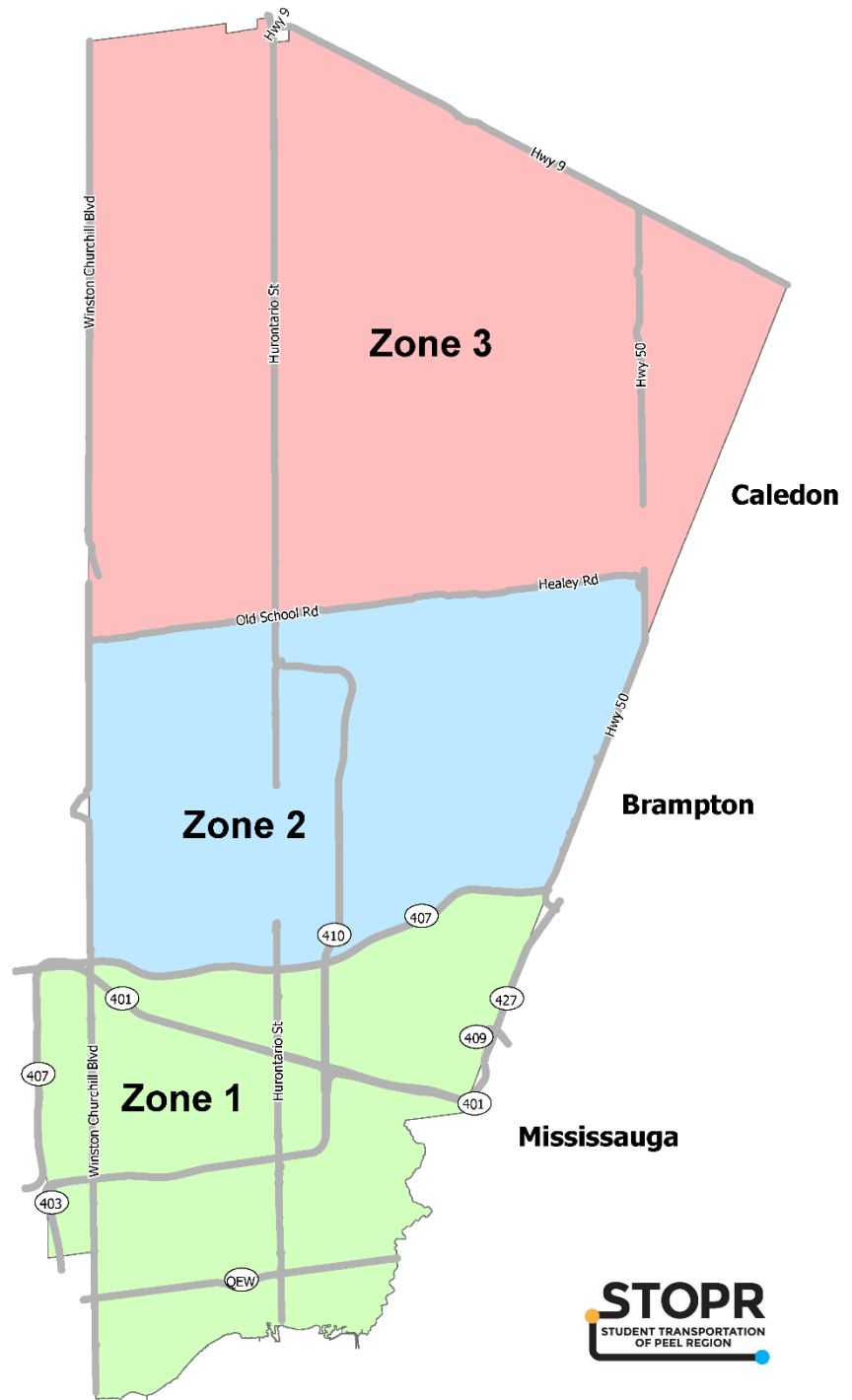
It is important that all families know what weather zone their school is assigned to. A complete list of schools and assigned weather zones can be found on the Inclement Weather page on [www.stopr.ca](http://www.stopr.ca)

### How do I know what zone is cancelled?

School bus cancellations will be communicated by the appropriate weather zone number through the [@STOPRinfo](#) twitter account and will be posted on [www.stopr.ca](http://www.stopr.ca) by 06:00 am each morning.

### What if I live in a different weather zone than my school?

For families that happen to live outside of their school’s weather zone. It is important that they review the STOPR weather zone map and confirm what zone their home address is located within, as buses will not travel through a cancelled zone. These families will need to monitor both their school zone and home address zone on inclement weather mornings.



## What should you do if your bus is late or cancelled?



*It is important to talk to your children about what to do if their school bus is delayed or cancelled on inclement weather mornings.*

### **Do your children have a plan if their bus does not arrive?**

*For example, do they have an emergency contact person or a neighbour that they can call or go to if their bus does not arrive to pick them up in the morning.*

*Always remember that if your school bus is cancelled in the morning due to inclement weather, it will also be cancelled in the afternoon.*

*Parents and Guardians should always know the name and phone number of the bus company that is transporting their children. If you do not know these details, visit our website and sign into the parent portal to find out and record this important information.*

## Winter School Bus Safety Tips:

- ✓ Allow extra time to get to your bus stop location in the winter.
- ✓ Plan to arrive 5 to 10 minutes early to your bus stop.
- ✓ Make sure your children are dressed appropriately for cold weather as unexpected mechanical problems with school buses can occur.
- ✓ Wear bright coloured clothing or a coat with reflective safety strips for added visibility
- ✓ Students and parents should maintain physical distancing between family groupings, and it is recommended everyone wear a face mask at the bus stop.
- ✓ Never push or shove anyone when you are getting on or off of the bus.
- ✓ Always use the handrail when boarding or exiting the bus.
- ✓ Check out our website at [www.stopr.ca](http://www.stopr.ca) for more important safety information and videos
- ✓ Be sure you know your schools weather zone.

