

Severe Weather Policy and Procedures

The classroom and clinical teaching schedule of the Brody School of Medicine will follow that of East Carolina University unless otherwise noted by announced by the sources listed below. Cancellation of ECU classes includes cancellation of the school of medicine classroom and clinical teaching schedule.

Should severe weather necessitate cancellation of classes during a scheduled teaching day, students will be notified of that decision in the following manner.

- The Office of Student Affairs staff will notify M1 and M2 students in their classrooms and place notification at strategic locations throughout the building (e.g. classroom doors, building entry, etc.).
- M3 students will be notified by clerkship secretaries who will be provided with the necessary emergency information.
- M4 students will be notified using the pager system.

In the event that severe weather strikes the area after normal class hours students should utilize the following resources, in the order listed, to determine if classes will be held.

- **Access the East Carolina University main web page.** In the event of severe weather that impacts campus functions, this page will contain an “Adverse Weather” link to the latest announcements concerning campus operation.
- Call the following medical school emergency numbers--**744-5080** or **1-800-745-5181**.
- Call BSOM Contact Center Main at 744-1020
- Monitor local radio and television broadcasts, both network stations and the university station, channel 99.

Because of the unique nature of the clinical learning experience (extended hours, off-campus sites) the following policy will govern specific aspects of the clinical experience not covered in the information presented above.

- All clinical students will follow announcements concerning class cancellation as provided by university administration. In certain situations, those clinical students usually reporting earlier than 7:00 AM may be at risk for hazardous traveling conditions. Therefore, students normally reporting for early rounds will be excused but are expected to report at 8:00 AM or one hour after an announcement that classes are to be held if the conditions are favorable for travel.
- Students scheduled to take call the evening of adverse weather should go home by 11:00 PM, or sooner if the weather requires.

Inclement Weather or Emergency Information

To stay informed of the latest announcements and official statements use this web site
<http://www.ecu.edu/alert/>

Announcements also made through...

- ECU Exchange E-mail
- ECU ALERT Pop-Up System
- Campus Voice Mail
- Campus Emergency Hotlines
- Local Television and Radio

East Carolina Hotlines:

- Campus Emergency Information 252-328-0062
- ECU School of Medicine 252-744-5080, or 1-800-745-5181
- ECU Transit ECU-BUS1 (328-2871)

Other Links:

- ECU Office of Environmental Health and Safety - Severe Weather Page at <http://www.ecu.edu/oehs/EmergencyProcedures/severeweather.htm>
- ECU Transit at <http://www.transit.ecu.edu/>
- ECU Weather Center at <http://ecuweather.ecu.edu/>

Office of Student Affairs

Telephone Number: 744-2278

Web site: <http://www.ecu.edu/cs-dhs/bsomstudentaffairs/>