

MAC Winter Weather Policy



We make every effort to run practices as scheduled during weather events. As long as we do not believe that we are putting the coaches' safety at risk by holding practice and if we are not required to cancel practice by Hood College (this rarely happens) practices will run as scheduled. By doing this we allow families to decide whether they are comfortable travelling to and from the pool and we are able to have practice for swimmers who can get to the pool. **If you as a family ever believe that it is not safe for you to make the trip to practice, please be safe, stay home and miss that practice.**

- MAC does NOT operate based on FCPS cancellations.
- MAC does NOT operate based on Hood College closings or cancellations.
- We will generally only communicate about practices when we have to cancel. No news means practices will be run as scheduled.
- We do everything in our power to make decisions at least 1.5 hours before practice begins but occasionally weather changes and decisions are last minute.
- Communications will be through email, so if you are unsure, check your email before leaving for practice.
- In the event that practices are canceled during practice or while swimmers are at the pool, we will send an email and have swimmers call their parents. In the case of bad weather please always have your cell phone so we can reach you as necessary. Please also make sure your swimmer knows what number to call if they need to reach you. Double checking your emergency contact number in Team Unify will also help us reach you if necessary.
- During events when Hood College needs to salt, plow or otherwise treat their campus roads, we must limit our vehicle traffic on campus to quick pick-up and drop off. Families can't sit and wait along the campus roads. This ensures we do not impede the planned maintenance of the campus allowing us to continue using campus when it is otherwise closed.