

SMOG ALERT WARNING

Such information and forecasts regarding smog as are available from the various Orange County Departments will be channeled to the Director, Special Education, Student Welfare, and Support Services. This information will be directed to all District campuses as necessary.

The Orange County Medical Association has advised that students be excused from strenuous indoor and outdoor activities in case of smog warnings. Each principal in consultation with his staff shall define such strenuous activities.

In the event of warnings or predictions affecting interscholastic athletic contests, the host school principal shall have the responsibility of initiating the decision-making process in time to postpone the contest if necessary, with the minimum of inconvenience. Primary factors of inconvenience to be considered are departure time of teams and game officials. The alternatives shall be to hold the contest as scheduled, to postpone the contest to a later time (that day or another), to move the location of the contest, or to cancel it. If an official "all clear" communication is not received in sufficient time, any decision to play will be made only with mutual consent of the principals involved. Contests postponed beyond the scheduled day are covered by league constitutions.

Since the time lag of official warning or alerts is so great, "all clears" are apt to be received late and serious inconveniences are caused unnecessarily. Therefore, principals are authorized and encouraged to proceed with scheduled events if conditions seem favorable and best interests of students appear to be so served.