

Clayton County Public Schools

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Heat Index Alert - a Red Level has been Established for August 22

Current Heat Index is projected to spike at 105 degrees around 2:00 p.m.

JONESBORO - Based on information from the National Weather Service (NWS) for Tuesday, August 22, 2023, the heat index for Jonesboro and Clayton County is projected to be 91 to 96 degrees between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. and is predicted to spike at **105** degrees around 2:00 pm and not decline below 100 degrees until after 7:00 p.m.

As a result, the district has established a **Red Level** for the heat index for the period between 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. **All outdoor activities have been suspended and all outside Physical Education classes have been canceled.** Indoor physical education classes may occur with proper limitations to include close monitoring of participants with frequent water breaks and breaks from physical activity. Scheduled games will remain, with the determination to play being made by the Georgia High School Association (GHSA) officials as it pertains to adjusted starting times.

Parents/guardians are encouraged to take this information into consideration when planning any activities after school. Parents/guardians are also encouraged to make sure their children are dressed in appropriate clothing and have access to water so they are properly hydrated.

Special Note: The information expressed here is the most current information related to anticipated weather in the district. It should be understood that weather changes may occur and as those changes are confirmed from the National Weather Service, they will be reported for any actions deemed appropriate.

While the school district will continue to monitor conditions throughout this week, we encourage everyone to be safe and stay connected for updated information regarding any potential weather issues through the following outlets:

- All television and radio stations in the Metro Area
- CCPS SchoolMessenger phone and email
- CCPS Infinite Campus portal
- CCPS Information e-blast to employees and stakeholders
- CCPS Channel 24 (accessible through the CCPS Website)
- CCPS Website: www.clayton.k12.ga.us
- CCPS Social Media Platforms and CCPS Mobile APP

-An official document from the Clayton County Public School System-

<u>About Clayton County Public Schools:</u> Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) is fully accredited by Cognia. The district offers a focused world-class program based on a challenging curriculum which is taught from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. Serving over 50,000 students, Clayton County Public Schools is ranked among the 100 largest school districts in the U.S. and is the sixth-largest school system in Georgia.