CARRABASSETT VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY closure POLICY

The Library Director, or substitute/staff running the library, may close the Carrabassett Valley Public Library at their discretion due to inclement weather, or other circumstances where safety is an issue. The decision to close the Library or cancel scheduled programs is based upon one or more of the following:

* Winter Storm Watch/Warning for Franklin County. Weather and/or road conditions that cause hazardous traveling, such as significant snow or ice covered surfaces, extreme temperatures or blizzard/whiteout conditions as well as recommendations from Maine DoT, local officials or news to stay off the roads.
* Town office is closed
* Availability of staff to operate the Library.
* Failure of vital building services, extended power failure (more than 60 minutes in daytime or 15 minutes after sunset) or condition of the building or its equipment.
* General health/safety emergency in the community or area surrounding the Library

Emergency closings are announced in as many ways as possible given the circumstances and timing of the emergency and may include: Facebook, sign on door, WSKI, posting closings on NBC, phone message when calling the library: 237-3535, and when possible: town website or community e-mail.

**https://www.newscentermaine.com/closings**

Employees will be paid for storm days when they are scheduled to work.

If the weather gets WORSE, after we are there, we are free to close early without using sick/vacation hours for the remainder of the day.

If NO ONE can get to work safely, we close for the day and everyone is paid for their scheduled hours with no need to take sick/vacation time.

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