

# Weather Policy

## A Bright Beginning Child Care Society



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**Policy:** Children need outside time every day. There are weather conditions that maybe unhealthy due to sensitivities or allergies and may pose safety concerns. In the case that weather conditions need to be monitored or not safe by Environment Canada, the Health and Safety member, Supervisor on site or Health and Safety Lead will post details on the weather board after the outside check is complete. This would include extreme cold, extreme heat, storm warnings or storms, unsafe winds, and poor air quality.

1. Cold weather temperatures of -21 and above time outside should be monitored by the educators or in extreme cold stay inside as indicated by Environment Canada.
2. In the summer, with high temperatures of 28-30 degrees, educators should monitor the children and how long they are outside. 30 degrees and up with any extreme heat warnings by Environment Canada, children should remain inside.
3. Wind warnings between 40-57 mph should be monitored while outside, ensuring it is safe. Any windstorms or winds higher than this, the children should remain inside.
4. Air Quality indexes are also monitored. Once it reaches 4, educators should limit or monitor outside time due to sensitivities and allergies of the children. Once it reaches a 5 or higher, children should remain inside.