QC class suspensions no later than 4 a.m.

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Good news for pupils studying in Quezon City. The QC Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (QCDRRMC) will announce class suspensions not later than 4 a.m. of the day of the intended cancellation.

This was the gist of Memorandum Circular 1 issued by QC Mayor Joy Belmonte. The circular provides that members of the QCDRRMC will conduct a pre-disaster risk assessment (PDRA) based on the latest weather updates and advisories of the Philippine Atmospheric Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA).

The PDRA will be the basis of whether the city mayor will suspend classes and work in government offices.

For extreme changes in the weather during the day, the declaration will be made no later than 11 a.m.

In case of typhoon signals, an automatic suspension of classes shall apply pursuant to Department of Education Order 43-2012.

However, Belmonte advised the public that announcements on class and work suspensions will only come from the QC Public Affairs and Information Services Department (PAISD).

"Announcement will come from the QCDRRMC, and the PAISD is the only authority that can put out that news," she said.