

Jim Caldwell's Forecast | Potent system begins impacting us today

LEXINGTON, Ky. (WKYT) - The first of the gusty winds will arrive later today. Consider these 20-30MPH gusts a prelude of what's to come.



After experiencing an extremely chilly Thursday, today will be the exact opposite. Those strong southerly winds will push highs back up to 55-60 degree range. Some scattered showers & thunderstorms will be possible late in the day. Those chances continue to drop and it looks more likely that we get in on better rounds on Saturday.

As this massive system pushes into Kentucky on Saturday you can expect very strong wis to begin showing up. Wind gusts out a head of the storms will rocket in here around 40-50MPH at the peak. Once those storms really get cranked up into the afternoon hours some could be strong or even severe. The Storm Prediction Center has already highlighted Kentucky under a Marginal risk for Saturday. At this point, I think the best opportunity to get something strong or even severe happens between the mid-morning and afternoon hours. After we pass that peak time period of the strong to severe threat... winds will keep coming. Yes, any of those blowing out there will be much lighter than what we experienced at the peak. This time they arrive with some much colder air ushering into Kentucky.

Temperatures will drop 10-20 degrees in a matter of hours. Over about a twelve hour period, those temps will be closer to 30 degrees colder. Highs between Saturday and Sunday will fall from the low to mid 60s to the low and mid 30s. With numbers coming in here like that and keeping some moisture around... you know what happens next. Snow flakes begin flying from west to east across Kentucky on Saturday night and Sunday. Keep an eye on Sunday for more snowflakes fling across Kentucky. Model data will try to underplay those extras flakes, but I think they will be there! Time will tell!

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