

FULDA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSING PROCEDURE

Our attention again needs to focus upon the winter season. The Fulda Public School officials wish to call all community members and parents attention to the Emergency School Closing Procedure.

Announcement of emergency school closings, late starts, and postponements or cancellations of school events as the result of severe winter weather conditions or mechanical failure in the Fulda Public School facilities, and those of St. Paul's Lutheran School, will be announced via INSTANT ALERT as well on the following AM and FM radio stations:

KLOH/KJOE - Pipestone/Slayton - 1050 AM or 106.1 FM

KWOA - Worthington - 730 AM or 95.1 FM (Also 104.3 and 93.5)

KDOM - Windom - 94.3 FM or 1580 AM

Announcements will also be shown on the following TV Channels:

KELO - Sioux Falls TV Cable Channel 11

Announcements will also be available on the Fulda Schools website.

In some cases it is necessary to change the schedule for school activities late in the day. If these changes occur, please stay tuned to KJOE 106.1 FM for the latest developments and announcements. Do not call school officials since this ties up all lines of communications.

If severe weather conditions develop over night or are eminent early in the morning, the announcement to close school will be made early in the morning so that students need not prepare to meet their bus. If weather conditions gradually worsen during the school day, the announcement to close school will be made approximately one hour before students are dismissed and transported. Under these conditions, we would urge parents' cooperation to insure that someone is home when their children arrive home. For parents who have teenagers who drive to school, we encourage parents to ask these young people to leave school and proceed directly home, rather than risk more hazardous driving conditions by lingering around town.

If a severe blizzard sets in during the day and you are concerned for your children, you may come to the school and get them from the Principal's office. However if conditions are too hazardous for bus operations, students will remain in school until weather conditions improve. Every parent of children who ride the bus should have on file for each student an emergency information sheet indicating where their children should go in case a storm or disaster that might necessitate their staying in town. Be sure the emergency information section is completed for all students before the form is returned to school. We also want to remind parents that the possibility exists that students may be stranded in a school bus for a period of time and youngsters should be dressed properly for severe winter weather to insure that they do not suffer from exposure.

In the event it is announced that school will begin late, the "late start" will always be a two hour "late start" and the following schedule will apply:

Grades K-12 - 10:05 - Regular Dismissal Time

Fulda Public Preschool will not be scheduled if a "late start" is announced.

When school is closed because of severe weather, other events and activities, including Early Childhood and Family Education will also be postponed as well as all practices for these events.