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SCHOOL CLOSURE INFORMATION

Fall is here and the changing seasons remind us that inclement weather can result in school being closed for one or more days. We all need to plan ahead and be ready in case that happens.

Under all but the most extreme conditions, school officials have a responsibility to keep school in session. When the weather is bad, but school is open, parents must make a family decision regarding attendance or late arrival for their children. A personal contact by the parent or a written note to school officials will excuse a students' late arrival or absence during these conditions.

Occasionally, the weather is severe enough that it is necessary to close schools in all or part of the district. When this occurs, it is extremely important that working parents have pre-arranged child care available to them; arrangements with a friend or neighbor; provisions at a child care center; child care leave from work (if available); arrangements with a neighborhood teenager who also would be out of school; etc. It is very important that parents make these arrangements now, since the weather is unpredictable and often we are hit with storms early in the school year.

Whenever it is necessary to close schools, the district immediately contacts the following radio and tv stations:

KWGN-TV	CHANNEL 2	KOA	850 AM
KCNC-TV	CHANNEL 4	KRCN	1060 AM
KMGH -TV	CHANNEL 7	ONDA	1150 AM
	CHANNEL 8	ALICE	105.9 FM
KUSA-TV	CHANNEL 9	KBCO	97.3 FM
FOX 31 NEWS	CHANNEL 13	KGNU	88.5 FM
		KOSI	101.1 FM

Notices will also be posted on the Boulder Valley School District web page at www.bvsd.org and click on "School Cancellations."

Notification is given prior to 6:30 a.m., or as soon as the decision is made to close during the day. Typically the media will release information only if school is closed. In most cases, no announcement will mean that schools are open.