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Dear Parents/Guardians:

During the winter months, I encounter the challenging task of deciding if we should have school during inclement weather conditions. After contacting area weather and road condition experts, I make this decision in the best interest of student safety. Please review the following information with your child(ren), and then post this on the “fridge” for your reference.

Student Absences Due to Weather:

Parents always have the right to keep their children home because of weather conditions. If you feel that road conditions or weather conditions make it unsafe for your children to attend, please have them remain at home. Students will be able to make up any work missed. Please call your child’s school and advise them of the reason your child will be absent that day.

School Closing Information: (No school, late starts, limited bus service, etc.)

For weather-related closings tune to the radio and TV stations listed below or refer to the home page on the district website at www.hutch.k12.mn.us. Please do not call the radio/TV stations or the schools. We need to keep our school lines open.

KDUZ 1260 AM	WCCO 830 AM, WCCO 4	KMSP FOX 9
KARP 106.9 FM	KARE 11	KSTP 5

“No school” means all students are excused from attending (Pre-K-12, including ALC). It also means that any extra-curricular practices or contests are canceled.


Early School Closing Information: (School closing earlier than usual because a storm is moving in or weather conditions have become worse.)

Closing time will be expressed in terms of number of hours early (e.g. 2 hours early means that if your student normally arrives home at 3:30 pm and school is let out two hours early due to inclement weather, your student will arrive home at approximately 1:30 pm). Please be mindful that bus transportation may be delayed due to the inclement weather and road conditions.

Bus routes will run the same as other days but will be earlier. In the extreme case where buses are unable to transport students, these students will be sheltered in the school until the parents/or guardians pick them up or other arrangements are made.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding regarding this important matter.

Sincerely,


Daron VanderHeiden
Superintendent of Schools