Policies of the Board of Education

Series 700: Support Services

## **EMERGENCY CLOSINGS**

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The superintendent may close the schools or dismiss them early in the event of hazardous weather or other emergencies. In making the decision to close schools, the superintendent will consider many factors including the following:

- 1. Failure of buses to serve all parts of the District.
- 2. Inability to furnish adequate heat in the school buildings to bring temperature of classrooms to a comfortable standard.
- 3. Blizzard conditions which include snow and high winds making it difficult to walk extended distances to and from school buildings.
- 4. Consideration of National Weather Service warning in relation to weather conditions.
- 5. Safety and welfare of students and staff.

The superintendent will take action to close schools only after consultation with traffic and weather authorities or other persons or agencies as appropriate to the nature of the emergency.

Students, staff, and parents/guardians will be informed of the procedures that will be used to notify them in case of emergency closing.

Legal Ref.:	Sections	115.01(10) Wisconsin Statutes
		121.02 (i)(f)+(i)
	PI 8.01 (2)(f)+(i)	

Cross Ref.: 321, School Year/Calendar 720, District Safety Policy 723-Rule, Emergency Plan Procedures Employee Agreement School Safety Plans

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