

**WINNER SCHOOL DISTRICT 59-
OFFICIAL SCHOOL BOARD POLICY**



SCHOOL CLOSING PROCEDURES – WEATHER

The following lines of authority will be used in case of absence of the superintendent:

1. Superintendent
2. MS/HS Principal
3. Elementary Principal
4. Business Manager

Two common situations regarding school closing due to weather emergencies are:

1) school closed all day due to weather and; 2) school delayed until 10:00 a.m.

The following general information should be considered in these two situations.

When school will be closed all day/delayed due to inclement weather the Superintendent will contact School Reach and radio/television stations by 7:00 am if possible. Announcements will be made that school is closed or delayed until 10:00 am.

If a severe storm develops during school hours with little or no warning, the following procedure will be used:

- a. Bus drivers will be informed to make sure they are available at the designated time selected to release students.
- b. Parents/Guardians will be informed by School Reach/radio/television
- c. Students without immediate transportation home will remain in the school setting until parent/guardian is able to pick up their children. Office staff/teachers will contact parents to determine if they are able to pick up their children.

Attendance Procedures:

If classes have convened and then are dismissed, or if classes are convened at 10:00 am because of inclement weather, that day constitutes as a school day in session. That day is equal to the number of hours planned for that day as established in the local school district for the year.

Per SDCL 13-26-2, a school is not required to make up time for school closing because of weather, disease or emergency once it has reached the minimum number of hours in the school term required by state law.