

The Superintendent is empowered to close the district schools or to dismiss students and/or staff early in the event of hazardous weather or other emergencies that threaten the health or safety of students and personnel.

In making the decision to close schools, the Superintendent shall consider many factors, including:

1. Safety and health of the students;
2. Weather conditions, both existing and predicted;
3. Driving, traffic, and parking condition affecting public and private transportation facilities;
4. Actual occurrence or imminent possibility of any emergency condition which would make the operation of schools difficult or dangerous; or
5. Inability of teaching personnel to report for duty, which might result in inadequate supervision of students.

The Superintendent shall weigh these factors and shall take action to close the schools only after consultation with appropriate authorities. Students, parents, and staff should be informed early in each school year of the procedures used to notify them in case of emergency closing.

Law Reference:

Appendix Reference:

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