EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSURE

Bonneville Joint School District No. 93 will remain open, if possible, on all scheduled school days. The Superintendent/designee may order the closure of schools in the event of extreme or hazardous weather, facility failures, or other emergencies that may threaten the safety or health of students and/or staff.

Guidelines

1. When an emergency closure occurs, the Superintendent/designee shall request that such closure be placed on the Consent Calendar for the next regular Board meeting.

2. Upon approval by the Board and pursuant to Idaho Code 33-512(1)(c)(ii), up to eleven (11) hours of emergency school closure due to adverse weather conditions and/or facilities failures may be reduced from the annual instructional hour requirements.

SCHOOL EVENTS ON EMERGENCY CLOSURE DAYS

It is acknowledged by the Board of Trustees of Bonneville Joint School District No. 93 that certain scheduled events may need to be canceled or rescheduled due to an emergency closure due to events such as extreme weather, facility failures or other emergencies. It is also understood that some scheduled events may need to be permitted as scheduled.

Guidelines

The following guidelines are intended to be used when considering the rescheduling of events on emergency closure days.

1. On official emergency closure days, regularly scheduled practices or activities, at the discretion of the Superintendent/designee and principal, may be canceled, rescheduled, or permitted, as the specific conditions permit.

2. No school events, activities, or practice may occur during an emergency school closure before 1 pm. Exceptions to this must be approved by the Superintendent/ designee and may include events that have already started or travel that may have occurred prior to the emergency closure. Bus trips that are scheduled to depart before 1 pm must be approved by the Superintendent/designee.
3. If a team or group is already at the school when the decision to cancel school is made, they may continue their scheduled practice if conditions allow. Building

principals and athletic directors in collaboration with the District Safety Team will determine when conditions warrant a cancellation of this practice.

4. At 12 pm, the District Safety Team, building principals, and athletic directors will meet to determine whether or not activities, events, practice, or games should continue after 1 pm or if they should be canceled for the remainder of the day.

5. When events have been approved to continue in the Bonneville School District, the building principal/athletic director shall contact the opposing school or district to determine whether they are able to safely continue with the event. If conditions do not allow both schools to participate, the Athletic Director will work with the other school to reschedule the event.

6. It is not the intent of the District to substitute its discretion for that of parents. Therefore, it is the parent's responsibility to assess their individual circumstances and determine whether a safety hazard exists for their children.

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