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Subject: Inclement Weather School Cancellation Notice

As we approach the winter season, we want to ensure the safety and well-being of our students and staff. With that in mind, we would like to inform you about our inclement weather school cancellation procedures. In the event of severe weather conditions that may impact the safety of travel, the Wellington-Napoleon R-IX School District may decide to cancel school for the day. The decision to cancel school will be made based on the assessment of road conditions, weather forecasts, wind chill, and the overall safety of our students and staff. Additionally, the same standards will be applied to decisions as it relates to *Tiger Day Camp* on non-school Monday's. These decisions are not taken lightly, and made with our mission in mind, "*Students First for a Better Tomorrow.*"

Here's what you need to know:

Notification: If school is canceled due to inclement weather, we will communicate this decision through various channels, including:

- Text, Email and Voice notification via our school district's **TeacherEase** messaging system.
- Posting on the district **Facebook** Page  [Wellington-Napoleon Schools](https://www.facebook.com/Wellington-Napoleon-Schools)
- Announcements on **local television stations**.
- Early Morning Announcement: If a decision to cancel school is made the day of, it will be announced as early as possible, typically by 6:00 AM, to allow families to plan accordingly.
- In the 2023-24 school year **Hard Surface Snow Routes** were implemented. We will again utilize this protocol as needed to keep our students in school as much as possible. This will only be used when a small portion of district transportation is affected by unsafe conditions. If your student rides district transportation, you will be contacted by WN Transportation Director, Kylene Lockhart with Hard Surface Snow Route instructions, and informed directly when hard surface routes will be utilized. Information will also be sent home with your student this week.
- Make-Up Days: The district has designated make-up days built into the academic calendar. In the event of missing more than 7 school days, two additional make-up days were placed in the calendar on Monday, May 5, 2025, and extending the last day of school on May 23, 2025.

Please ensure that your contact information is up-to-date in our school records to receive timely notifications. The safety of our students and staff is our top priority, and we appreciate your understanding and cooperation during inclement weather situations. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact the school office at (816) 240-2621. Thank you for your ongoing support. Stay warm and safe!

Sincerely,

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