District 64

SCHOOL CLOSING GUIDELINES

CLOSURE INFORMATION

- **No Remote Learning:** District 64 does not offer an eLearning option; emergency closures are traditional "no student attendance" days.
- **Community Coordination:** Closure decisions are made collaboratively with area school districts (62, 63, 79, and 207).
- **Core Decision Factors:** The D64 evaluates student and staff safety, severe weather timing, road and walking conditions, and facility accessibility (cleared sidewalks and parking lots).

TIMING & NOTIFICATIONS

- **Decision Time:** Closure announcements are typically finalized by **6:00 AM** following overnight weather monitoring.
- **Direct Alerts:** Families and staff receive an automated phone call, text message, and email.
  - Contact information and communication preferences must be current with the school office.
- Updates are also posted to the D64 and school websites, district phone messages, and local TV/radio broadcasts.

WIND CHILL STANDARDS

Weather alerts and closing standards are based directly on official data and advisories from the National Weather Service.

- **Wind Chill Advisory** (-20°F or colder): Schools remain **open.**
  - Conditions pose moderate safety risks and inconvenience, but are not life-threatening.
- **Wind Chill Warning** (-30°F wind chill OR -15°F or colder): Schools are **closed.**
  - Conditions indicate life-threatening danger requiring immediate safeguards.

FAMILY DISCRETION

Any decision to cancel school or alter the school day is based on general safety conditions for all students and staff. Districts know that conditions may vary for each student or family. If, in the event of severe weather when schools are open, you feel it is unsafe to send your student to school, please contact the school office.

For more information, please visit **d64.org/school-cancellations**