

# WSD Inclement Weather/School Closing Information

Timely communication with our District families is always a priority, but especially important in emergency school closing situations. If WSD schools are forced to close due to inclement weather or other factors (i.e. power outages, water main breaks) parents/guardians and students will be notified in the following ways:

## **District Phone Call/Text/Email**

The Wentzville School District utilizes Blackboard, a mass communication broadcast system that allows school administrators to notify all households by phone, text and email within minutes of an emergency or unplanned event that causes early dismissal or school cancellation. The service may also be used occasionally by individual schools to communicate general announcements or reminders. Please be sure to notify the school office about any change in your personal contact information. You always have the option of how you would like to receive notifications (you can turn off the call and only receive texts and/or emails for example). Simply contact the Community Relations office to change your preferences by calling (636) 327-3800, ext. 20357 or email <u>kathleendelaquil@wsdr4.org</u>.

### TV/Radio

When inclement weather causes the District to cancel school or dismiss classes early, please check the following television and radio stations for school closing information.

<u> KTVI - TV Channel 2</u>	KMOX Radio 1120 AM
KMOV - TV Channel 4	KWRE Radio 730 AM
KSDK - TV Channel 5	KFAV Radio 99.9 FM

These TV and radio stations also have web sites with the same school closing information. Look for the <u>Wentzville R-IV School District</u>. Please be advised that individual schools will not be listed separately, closings will always be listed as the <u>Wentzville R-IV School District</u>.

### <u>Website</u>

The <u>District website</u> will be updated with any emergency school closing information. Please check on the homepage.

### Social Media

The WSD has its own <u>Facebook page</u> (Wentzville School District) be sure to "like" us! It's a great way to keep up to date with the latest happenings in the District, complete with pictures. You can also follow the District on Twitter, just search for <u>WSDinfo</u> or Instagram (<u>wsdschools</u>). All three social media sites will be used not only to keep community members informed about the latest news in the District, but in the event of a school closing or emergency, this will be yet another means of communicating quickly and efficiently.

### WSD App Push Notification

The WSD has an app you can download and choose to follow your child's school. The app will be an additional notification tool used in the event of a school closing or emergency to send followers a push notification directly to your phone. You can download the WSD app from <u>iTunes</u> or <u>Google Play</u>.