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Dear Parent or Guardian,

When weather or other emergency conditions dictate the closure or delayed start of our schools, radio stations KGY (1240 AM or 96.9 FM), KMAS (1030 AM), KXXO (MIXX) (96.1 FM), and KAOS (89.3 FM) will broadcast information as soon as possible so you will know to keep your child at home. Seattle television and some Seattle radio stations will be notified as well. On the internet, access our District website, <http://osd.wednet.edu>, or the Public Schools Emergency Communication System at www.psecs.wednet.edu, or

PLEASE TUNE YOUR RADIO TO ONE OF THE ABOVE STATIONS AND LISTEN UNTIL YOU HEAR THE ANNOUNCEMENT. Please do not telephone a radio station for this information.

If school is open, but you think it would be a danger or a hardship for your child to go, school officials will accept your judgment. (It will be treated as an excused absence.)

Weather conditions may make it necessary to modify bus routes, and when that occurs, radio stations will be asked to announce use of "snow routes" or "emergency routes." **Some of the emergency changes in routes are listed on the back of this sheet.**

The District will make every effort to operate normally, despite the weather. On rare occasions, however, weather conditions may require that schools be closed early. In that event, the normal busing sequence will be followed, that is, taking the high school and middle school students home first, followed by elementary students approximately one to two hours later. Information about early school closures will also be broadcast by KGY, KMAS, KXXO and KAOS. Please instruct your child what to do should there be an early school closure when you are not home during the regular school day. Parents are also asked to remind students to be especially careful when walking or waiting for a bus during bad weather.

It is everyone's hope that weather conditions do not disrupt transportation and schools. Our most critical concern, however, is the safety and welfare of our students.

Sincerely,

Bill Lahmann
Superintendent



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