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Educating All Students to Reach Their Potential

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

As we approach the winter season, I want you to be aware of the procedures for school closings or delays that may be caused by inclement weather or other emergencies. The decision to close school or alter the school day is done with much deliberation and input from law enforcement agencies, the weather bureau, the highway department and various key individuals located throughout our school district. Please understand that often the main roads and city roads have been cleared but many county roads are not passable.

When possible, decisions about school delays due to inclement weather will be made no later than 6:00 a.m. It is possible that a school cancellation may follow a two-hour delay. If there is a two-hour delay, we will try to make the decision to cancel school by 8:00 a.m. You will be notified about decisions to alter the school day or cancel school through our alert calling system. Please make sure our schools have an accurate telephone number so that you may receive these alert messages. The information will also be posted on our website at www.madison.k12.in.us and announced through the following media outlets:

Fox 41
WHAS 11
Wave 3

WLKY 32
WMPI
WKKG

WORX/WXGO
WIKI

Madison Courier.com
WKID-Vevay

The following options will be considered during weather emergencies:

Option 1: All Madison Consolidated Schools will be closed for the day.

Option 2: All Madison Consolidated Schools will be closed but operate on an inclement weather elearning day.

Option 3: The start of the school day for our district will be delayed for two (2) hours.

Option 4: Schools will dismiss early.

Option 5: Schools will operate using Snow Emergency Routes.

Due to the varying terrain in our school corporation, our schools may operate Snow Emergency Routes when inclement weather prohibits bus transportation to some pick-up sites. We hope the Snow Emergency Routes will allow us to open schools when only small portions of our corporation roadways are in poor condition and a majority of students may be safely transported. The following Snow Emergency Routes will provide alternative pick-up sites for some potentially and historically treacherous areas of our school corporation:

Bus 38 – L. Watterson – Deputy Route

Pick up at 6:40 a.m. and drop off at 3:50 p.m. **Blocher Cell Tower**

Drop off at 3:40 p.m. at **Kent Methodist Church** for junior high and high school students

Bus 11 – J. Ritzline – Deputy Route

Pick up at 6:45 a.m. and drop off at 3:00 p.m. at **Lakeside Campground** on Blake Road

Bus 90 – D. Mahoney – Deputy

Pick up at 7:05 a.m. at **Deputy Elementary School**

Pick up 7:25 a.m. at **Kent Methodist Church** junior high and high school students

Drop off at 3:50 p.m. at **Deputy Elementary School**

Bus 19 – D. Weatherbee - Deputy
Pick up at 6:45 a.m. and drop off at 2:50 p.m. at **Pisgah Church**

Bus 39 – B. Kennett in the a.m. and Bus 9 – F. Walker in the p.m. – Rykers' Ridge Area
Pick up at 6:45 a.m. and drop off at 3:45 p.m. at **Old Manville Store**

Bus 16 – E. Duncan – Rykers' Ridge Area
Pick up at 6:50 a.m. and drop off at 3:40 p.m. **China Catholic Church**

Bus 29 – C. Meisberger – Rykers' Ridge Area
Pick up at 6:45 a.m. and drop off at 3:55 p.m. **Brooksbury Baptist Church**

Bus 92 – M. Foley, Bus 10 – H. Toller, Bus 39 – B. Kennett – Rykers' Ridge Area
Pick up at 7:15 a.m. at **Rykers' Ridge Elementary** junior high and high school students

Bus 92 – M. Foley - Canaan Area
Pick up at 6:40 a.m. and drop off at 4:10 p.m. at **Camp Meeting Church Camp**

Bus 10 – H. Toller - Canaan Area
Pick up at 6:45 a.m. and drop off at 4:10 p.m. at **Canaan Firehouse**

Bus 7 – W. Rumsey - Canaan Area
Pick up at 6:45 a.m. at drop off 4:10 p.m. at **Canaan Firehouse**

Bus 47 – R. Longville - Dupont Area
Pick up at 6:50 a.m. at **Dupont Elementary for Deputy elementary students**
Pick up at 7:05 a.m. at **Lancaster Baptist Church E.O.M.**, junior high and high school students
Drop off at 3:45 p.m. at **Lancaster Baptist Church E.O.M.**, junior high and high school students

Bus 97 – G. Jackson
Pick up at 6:55 a.m. at **Dupont Elementary**, E.O.M., junior high and high school students
Drop off at 3:45 p.m. at **Dupont Elementary**, E.O.M., junior high and high school students

Bus 35 – J. Kleopfer - Dupont Area
Pick up at 7:05 a.m. at **Lancaster Baptist Church**, Deputy students
Drop off at 3:30 p.m. at **Lancaster Baptist Church**, Deputy students

If you have any questions about the Snow Emergency Routes, please contact your child's bus driver or our MCS Transportation Department at 812.274.8009. All Snow Emergency day pick up and drop off sites are listed in bold above. During inclement weather, if parents believe it is in the best interest of their children to remain home, please inform the school of this decision. Your child will be counted as absent, but the absence will be excused.

Our district may be eligible to use eLearning days to make-up missed days of school due to inclement weather. If this option is available, we will communicate the details.

This information is being provided so that you may arrange for childcare in advance of any school delay or closing. Changes in our normal routines are disruptive but the safety of our children and employees will remain our priority. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,



Dr. Jeffery Studebaker
Superintendent