

Braham Area Schools

School Closing Information

Closing school due to poor weather conditions is always a difficult decision. Although our primary mission is to educate students, we are very concerned with the safe transportation of our students to and from school. In deciding to close or postpone school, Braham Area Schools consults with the Braham Bus Company and a number of weather sites and surrounding school districts to determine whether or not it is safe to transport students. We will make every effort to post decisions before 6:30 a.m.

PLEASE NOTE that at any time during inclement weather, parents have the option of keeping their children at home. However, we are confident in our bussing service to pick up students in a timely fashion in warm, safe buses. Parents should dress their students accordingly for inclement weather. Appropriate attire worn by students would be an additional safety measure in case buses are running slightly behind schedule.

The BEST way to receive timely notices regarding school closure is through the School Messenger system at Braham Area Schools (this system is for Braham Area School families). This is the same system where you check your child's grades, attendance records, etc. You can choose to receive messages through phone, text, or email. Please make sure the district has your CURRENT Information. Call the elementary at 320-396-3316 or the high school at 320-396-4444 to check. Messages will also be sent out through:

- WCCO-TV (Ch. 4)
- KSTP-TV (Ch. 5)
- KMSP-TV (Ch. 9)
- KARE-TV (Ch. 11)
- KBEK Radio
- WCMP Radio
- School website - see **Twitter** feed on left side of page

When school is closed the following events are cancelled:

- ❖ All Pre-K-12 Classes and Programs
 - *IF SCHOOL IS TWO HOURS LATE ON A TUESDAY OR THURSDAY ALL PRE-K-12 CLASSES WOULD BE HELD (starting two hours late) EXCEPT FIRST STEP, SECTION 1, MORNING CLASSES*
- ❖ Early Childhood Special Education
- ❖ After-school programs & extra-curricular activities
- ❖ Field trips
- ❖ School events
- ❖ Community Ed classes
- ❖ All Athletic activities will also be cancelled unless because of playoffs that would necessitate the continuation of practice or competition.
- ❖ Before-and-after child care (BASK) will be closed
- ❖ Permits held by outside organizations for meetings and activities in a school building will continue unless that organization cancels. Contact the organizer with questions.

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