

December 1, 2009

Dear Parent/Guardian/Student:

Winter will soon be here and we need to prepare for the possibility of inclement weather. In the event that we must cancel school, parents, students and staff will be notified through the Alert Now System. Please make sure that we have your correct phone numbers. In addition to the Alert Now System notification, arrangements have been made with the radio and TV stations listed below to broadcast information regarding the operation of school during snow/ice/emergency conditions. Broadcasts begin at 6:00 a.m. If you do **NOT** receive notification by phone from the Alert Now system, and Pretty Prairie USD 311 is **NOT** mentioned during the news broadcast, school will be open with buses operating on as normal a schedule as possible.

<b>STATIONS</b>			
<b>Television Stations</b>		<b>FM Radio Stations</b>	
KSNW	Channel 3	KHCC	90.1
KAKE	Channel 10	KHMY	93.1
KWCH	Channel 12	KFDI	101.3
		KHUT	102.9

**"CLOSED" or "SCHOOLS CLOSED"**

This means **NO** school in the Pretty Prairie district for that day **ONLY**. School closing is on a day-to-day basis.

**"ONE HOUR LATE"**

This means that buses will try to operate on all normal routes, but pick-up schedules will be one hour later than normal. Classes will begin one hour later than normal. Classes will dismiss at the normal time unless otherwise announced. When school begins one hour late, the following classes and/or programs will be affected:

- Breakfast will not be served
- Class schedules will rotate to avoid repeated loss of instruction in 1<sup>st</sup> hour
- Music lessons will be canceled for the day
- Extended Learning Program (After School Program) and athletic practice will be determined on that day by 1:00 p.m.

**"EARLY DISMISSAL"**

This means that inclement weather requires school to dismiss before the normal time. The media will broadcast the early dismissal. Parents of GS students will be notified by phone. Bus drivers will check to make sure students can get into homes before being left. When school is dismissed early, the following programs will be affected:

- No Extended Learning Program (After School Program)
- No athletic practices
- Music lessons will be canceled for the day
- All scheduled evening or extra curricular activities will be canceled or rescheduled

**PLEASE NOTE:**

Buses will start their routes on schedule, but road and traffic conditions may impede progress so the bus may become late as the morning continues. **You may call the following numbers for information: (620) 459-6911, (620) 459-6241, (620) 459-6621, or (620) 459-6313.**

Thank you for your assistance in helping all of our students enjoy a safe trip to and from school.

Sincerely,

Brad Wade, Superintendent