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## **EMERGENCY CLOSING OF SCHOOLS**

The superintendent or his/her designee is authorized to announce the closing of schools if prevailing or potential hazards threaten the safety or well-being of students and employees. The decision to close schools may be made by the superintendent or his/her designee after consulting with, when administratively feasible, the board and other community agencies responsible for the safety and well-being of the community. Related public announcements and releases to news media should be approved by the superintendent or his/her designee.

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