

2016-2017 Braham Area 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 6:10 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 children appropriately for inclement weather.

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. You can do this in one of two ways:

- Call the elementary at 320-396-3316 or the high school at 320-396-4444.
- Go to the school website. Update the **Emergency Form** located under the Parents/Students tab.

Notice of school closure will be sent out through:

- School Messenger
- 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. ***Playoffs** could alter this decision.
- ❖ Field trips
- ❖ Community Ed classes
- ❖ 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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