

Dec. 9, 2021

Parents/Guardians,

**Re: Unscheduled School Closures** 

In the event of an unscheduled school closure caused by snow, emergency, or extraordinary circumstances an alert announcing the affected schools will display at the top of the district website, school websites or local school Facebook pages. We attempt to do this by 6:30am. If your school's website, Facebook or the district website does not give notification of closure, please assume schools are in session. Schools may start the day during a power outage by using natural lighting and decisions can be made later in the morning depending on the status of BC Hydro's ability to restore power. Current information on school closures or threats of closures due to external conditions are also available via:

- ➤ District Website <u>www.sd78.bc.ca</u>
- > Twitter @sd78bc <u>www.twitter.com/sd78bc</u>
- School Websites <u>www.sd78.bc.ca/schools-facilities/</u>
- Select School Facebook Pages
- Emails received by your Principal or School Representative
- Radio: STAR FM 98.3 (100.5 Hope) (106.1 Boston Bar) (98.3 Agassiz/Harrison)

If you do not have internet connectivity but your phone is working, call a relative or friend in an area that has not been affected by the event and ask them to check the district website for you. Local radio stations are also informed of school status.

\*\*\*Please note that Fraser-Cascade schools are all considered 'open' until a decision to close is required.

Decisions on school closures are usually communicated by 6:30 am.\*\*\*

As always, it is a parent's decision whether to send their child to school based on safety and individual circumstances. If you feel it is unsafe for you or your child to travel to or attend an open school for any reason, please keep your child home and report an absence to the school.

Sincerely,

**Balan Moorthy** 

Superintendent of Schools