

# Unified School District 234

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## INCLEMENT WEATHER PROCEDURE

The safety of district students, parents, patrons, and employees is of utmost concern to the USD 234 Board of Education. To ensure that an informed decision is made about the school day when inclement weather is predicted, the district will set in motion a plan to test the safety of roads within the district boundaries. Pending input from certain district personnel concerning the condition of the roads, the Superintendent will evaluate the facts and formulate a plan of action. If a decision to dismiss school is made, it will be announced by 6:00 a.m. via the media listed. Phone calls to school officials prior to 6:00 a.m. will not provide school closing information. Only school cancellations will be released via the media. If school is in session, there will not be a media announcement.

KMDO-KOMB 1600 AM/103.9 FM radio will be our initial outlet to release information. Other stations to be contacted include, KOAM TV Channel 7, KKOW FM 96.9, KNEM AM 1240 in Nevada, KSN TV Channel 10 in Joplin, and KODE TV Channel 12 in Joplin. The district website may also be accessed for updated school closing information at [www.usd234.org](http://www.usd234.org). Local radio stations will be the most efficient way to receive information.

Buses may run late on some days. This information will be given at the same time and in the same fashion as school closings.

If a storm hits during the day, buses may take students home early. The radio stations will broadcast the information as soon as possible. In these circumstances, students may not have a chance to call parents prior to bus departure.

The building principals will have a system in place to notify all building employees of school closings.