

**WARNING SYSTEMS: INCLEMENT WEATHER**

It is policy of the Bixby Board of Education to dismiss school if weather conditions deteriorate to the extent that the safety of students may be jeopardized.

During the tornado season, the school administration will be concerned with tornado watches and tornado alerts. A tornado watch is issued by the weather bureau when conditions are favorable for the development of tornadoes. School will not be dismissed because of a tornado watch. However, if a parent is concerned about the safety of a child, the child will be released to the parent's custody at the school. A tornado warning is issued by the weather bureau when a tornado has been sighted. School will be dismissed if the administration feels that it is safe to do so. Otherwise, children shall remain at school, and appropriate safety measures shall be taken.

Should the superintendent or designee decide to dismiss school because of weather conditions, the following media sources should be requested to make appropriate announcements: Radio stations KRMG 740 AM, KRAV 96.5 FM, and KAY107 106.9 FM and television stations KJRH (9), KTOV (6), and KTUL (8). Absent such announcements, students should assume that school will be in session.

Should it become necessary to dismiss school during a school day, the radio stations and all bus drivers will be notified by the administration. Students will be dismissed in an orderly fashion once buses have arrived.

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