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Dear BCSC Families:

It's been an exceptional first quarter of the school year in Brownsburg. For the third consecutive year, Brownsburg students have the highest pass percentage of any school district in the state on ISTEP+. For the seventh consecutive year, every Brownsburg school has earned an A from the Indiana Department of Education and in the latest Indiana Department of Education designation, all nine schools are Indiana Four Star Schools. The safety of students continues to be our top priority, followed closely by increasing student learning.

Each year during this time we re-visit the factors that may impact the decision to delay or close school. ([CLICK HERE](#) to view Weather Emergencies: By the numbers)

Martin Luther King Jr. Day and Presidents Day will continue to be snow make-up days, if necessary. Should school be cancelled prior to the designated make-up holiday, parents may be given notice of two weeks or less that school will be in session.

In some instances—when all factors are considered, the best course of action is to delay the start of school. We must weigh the advantages of gaining two hours to allow the weather to pass or road crews to better treat the highways versus conditions worsening. In the event of a delay on Wednesday, schools will not release early. It is important to note that school delays due to cold weather are very rare because temperatures do not sufficiently warm up during a two hour delay. In addition, working parents have shared that delays create hardships for their families.

When it comes to communicating about school delays and cancelations, a phone call and text will be sent to all parents via our district notification system. Phone calls are scheduled as early as 6:00am. The BCSC website, www.brownsburg.k12.in.us is also a source of information as well as the corporation Facebook page. The most comprehensive and current source of information is available through my twitter account, (@BCSC_SnappChat). Frequent tweets about the weather include when the decision will be made (in the evening or morning) and what time the decision will be made. Closings are typically announced on social media by 5:15am, prior to the phone calls at 6:00am.

Ultimately the decision is yours to make as a parent. If schools are open during extreme weather and you choose to have your child stay at home, the absence will be treated as excused and any work missed can be made up.

We hope this information assists you in better understanding the process that we utilize to make the safest decision for your children. Thank you for your cooperation as we navigate Indiana's unpredictable and often harsh winter weather.

Sincerely,

Jim Snapp
Superintendent