



## NORTH KINGSTOWN SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

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### **School Closure/Early Dismissal Procedures**

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I would like to provide you with information on our Inclement Weather dismissal procedures for the North Kingstown School Department. It is that time of year when we need to prepare for the winter weather by making sure you and your children know what to do in the case of a delay, closure or early dismissal. Please review your family emergency plan with your children.

In the event of an early dismissal, please have a safe consistent emergency plan in place for your family. *Please make sure your children are aware of your family plan.* Speaking to your child about safety and discussing alternate plans is very important.

**If an early dismissal is required**, we will follow our regular dismissal procedures, students who ride a bus will be dismissed to the bus, and students who are a parent pick up must be picked up at the school by someone on your emergency contact form. Students who are walkers will be released to walk home.

**In the event of a school closure, delay or early dismissal**, messages will go out to all listed parent phone numbers and email addresses through Aspen as soon as the decision is made. If one of the numbers you have listed is a cell phone, you will also receive a text message unless you have previously opted out of this feature. We will also post information on our school website and facebook page. You can download the North Kingstown School Department App on your phone. Please be sure all of your contact information is up-to-date in Aspen. If you see any changes that need to be made, please follow this [link](#) to update your child's contact information.

We also notify the RI Broadcasters Association of all closings, delays or early dismissals for North Kingstown School Department. This information is available to you through all local TV stations and their websites. To sign up for text notifications through RI Broadcasters for all North Kingstown announcements go to:

<https://my.textcaster.com/asa/Default.aspx?ID=6d6b22e1-242f-46b3-ae4f-e01582e9a14c>

We thank you in advance for your flexibility and cooperation during any school closure, delay, or early dismissal.

Sincerely,

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Superintendent of Schools