## **Inclement Weather Procedures**

In case Pierce City Schools needs to cancel school or release early due to inclement weather, we want you to be informed of the process. Student and faculty safety is the primary concern in making the call for cancellation versus late start or early release.

There are many factors involved in making weather decisions such as amount of precipitation, type of precipitation, current road conditions, air temperature, and possible further accumulations.

Typically there is a National Weather Service conference call at 4:00 a.m. The Superintendent takes part in that call, then the roads are driven to assess the safety.

## **School Cancellation**

- The community will be notified via automated phone calls, text messages, app notifications, District social media, website and television.
- Our goal is to make the decision and share it with families by 5:15 a.m. Sometimes, however, that is not possible.
- Athletics and activities will be assessed based on the situation. If an event is canceled, participants will be notified by their coach/sponsor and information will be posted on the individual school social media.

## Alternative Methods of Instruction

When the entire school district is closed due to inclement weather, we will implement AMI (virtual learning) for students after the 3rd day of closure.

## **Early Release**

In circumstances where we must release early, our goal is to provide two hours' advance notification to allow parents time to make the necessary arrangements.

- The community will be notified via automated phone calls, text messages, app notifications. District social media, website and television.
- Transportation Buses will run in the same order as normal dismissal.
- Athletics and Activities events will be assessed based on the situation. If an event is canceled, participants will be notified by their coach/sponsor and information will be posted on the individual school social media.