



INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 719
PRIOR LAKE – SAVAGE AREA SCHOOLS

PROCEDURE – SCHOOL CLOSING

The public schools of the district shall be in session in accordance with the school calendar, as adopted by the School Board.

Public schools shall be closed at the sole discretion of the Superintendent of Schools under conditions which he/she deems to be an emergency situation. During the absence of the Superintendent, a decision to close public school may be made by the Superintendent's designated representative.

The prime factor relating to a decision to close school will be the safety and well-being of students and personnel.

The basic reasons for closing, in accordance with this rule, are as follows:

- A. Inclement weather
 - 1. Snow storm
 - 2. Tornado
 - 3. Roads - sleet and ice
 - 4. Wind chill
- B. Utility Failure
 - 1. Electricity
 - 2. Water/Sewer
 - 3. Heating Systems
- C. Civil Disorders
 - 1. Bomb/shooting threats
 - 2. Riots
 - 3. Other major threats to student safety

All employee groups are required to report to work on all days of inclement weather according to their negotiated agreements.

(See Policy 602)