

## **SIMPSON COUNTY SCHOOLS EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSING PROCEDURE PARENT/STUDENT HANDOUT**

### **SCHOOLS MAY BE CLOSED, OPENING DELAYED, OR DISMISSED EARLY,**

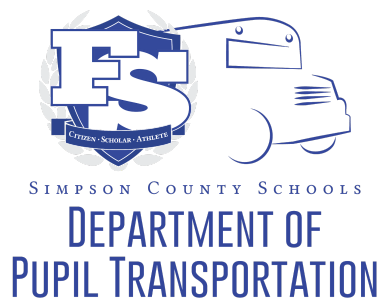
if weather or other emergency conditions make operating the school bus fleet unsafe. A safety survey is conducted, including; review of the most hazardous area roads, monitoring weather conditions and various forecasts. The following radio and TV stations will be notified in case of changes: **WFKN**-Franklin, **WSMV**-Nashville, **WTVF**-Nashville, **FOX17**-Nashville, **WBKO**- Bowling Green, **WKRN**-Nashville, **WKYU/WDCL**-Radio Bowling Green, **WBVR**- Russellville, **WOVO-BG**, Glasgow, **WNKY**-Bowling Green, **WGCC**-Glasgow. Information will also be posted on the school website [www.simpson.kyschools.us](http://www.simpson.kyschools.us) and the Simpson County-Schools Facebook page.

**PEOPLE ARE URGED NOT TO CALL THE DISTRICT OR TRANSPORTATION OFFICES FOR CLOSING INFORMATION, AS THESE LINES ARE NEEDED FOR EMERGENCIES.**

**UP TO A TWO-HOUR DELAY PLAN** may be considered when roads are unsafe early but weather conditions are forecast to improve by 8:30 a.m.

- The normal review will be made early with an announcement for a one-hour or two-hour delay.
- A second review will be made later with an announcement made by 7:25 a.m. on whether school will be attempted for the day.
- **Parents should listen to radio and TV stations for upgraded information.**
- Parents should make provisions to ensure children have a place to go if the parent is not at home when an early dismissal occurs or there is a delayed start. Drop-in services are available at Simpson County Schools' Kid's First Day Care for children as needed.
- **INFORM PRINCIPALS AND BUS DRIVERS NOW OF ALTERNATE ARRANGEMENTS.** Elementary students will not be left unattended in cases of early dismissal. Students that can not be delivered will be returned to their school.

Occasionally, we will run routes at driver discretion. If your child is affected, you will be notified.



**WHEN THE ICE AND SNOW START FALLING  
BE PREPARED, STAY COOL  
GET THOSE KIDS SAFELY TO SCHOOL!**

**SNOW AND ICE SAFETY TIPS TO SHARE WITH STUDENTS**

**DO** leave some extra time in the morning to get to your bus stop on time.

**DO** wear bright clothing so you can be seen in the early morning or late afternoon when the sky is gray. Dress properly for cold, wet weather.

**DO** look carefully before crossing the street. Make sure there are no cars coming from either direction.

**DON'T** play in the snow or throw snowballs at the bus or anyone while waiting for the bus.

**DON'T** stoop down to pick anything up in front of a school bus. If you do drop something, get the bus drivers attention and make him aware that you are picking something up. Make sure you can be seen by the bus driver at all times.

**DON'T** slide on the snow banks, or ice patches. Someone could slide or fall under the wheels.

**DO** stand a safe distance from the bus stop. Remember the buses need extra room to stop when there is snow or ice on the road.

**DO** walk directly away from the bus. Don't linger or play at the bus stop.