

# Baker School District 5J

Code: **EBCD**  
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## Emergency Closures\*\*

The superintendent is empowered to close the district schools or to dismiss them early in the event of hazardous weather or other emergencies which threaten the health or safety of students and personnel. The administration has the responsibility to see that as much of the administrative, supervisory and operational activity is continued as may be possible. Therefore, if conditions affect only a single school, only that school will be closed.

In making the decision to close schools, the superintendent or his/her designee will consider many factors including the following principal ones relating to the fundamental concern for the safety and health of students:

1. Weather conditions, both existing and predicted;
2. Driving and traffic conditions affecting public and private transportation facilities;
3. Possibility of any emergency condition which would make the operation of schools difficult or dangerous;
4. Inability of teaching personnel to report for duty, which might result in inadequate supervision of students.

When schools are closed for emergency reasons, staff members will comply with collective bargaining agreements in reporting for work.

Procedures and guidelines shall be developed to provide a well planned outline of activities necessary in the event of partial or complete school closure.

At the beginning of each school year, students, parents and staff will be informed of the procedures used to notify them in an emergency closure.

END OF POLICY

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### Legal Reference(s):

[OAR 437-002-0360](#)  
[OAR 437-002-0377](#)  
[OAR 581-022-1420](#)

[OAR 581-022-1620](#)  
[OAR 581-053-0002](#)

### Cross Reference(s):

EEAC - School Bus Safety Program