

# Dallas School District 2

Code: **EBCD**  
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## **Emergency School Closures - Authority**

The School Board recognizes the need for immediate and decisive decision-making when emergencies arise which affect the health and/or safety of students. Therefore, it authorizes the Superintendent or designee to suspend operations for the entire school District or any portion thereof when, in his/her judgement, an emergency condition of any kind constitutes a threat to the health and/or safety of students.

The Superintendent has the authority to develop contingency plans for conditions such as, but not limited to, the following:

1. Emergency school closure due to inclement weather conditions, fire, earthquake damage, vandalism, or utilities failure;
2. Forced school closure for lack of funding of the budget;
3. Closure of a school unit caused by significant decline in enrollment;
4. Temporary closure and reopening of schools caused by work stoppages called by staff bargaining units;
5. Forced school closure caused by acts of threats of violence to a school unit by a person or persons who may or may not be known;
6. Forced school closure and evacuation caused by a life-threatening event in the close proximity of a school unit such as explosion or hazardous gas or chemical pollution.

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  
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