

RIDGEVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

6573 Shimmering Creek Drive

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HOME OF THE HUSKIES

EMERGENCY INFORMATION FOR EARLY CLOSURE and SEVERE WEATHER DISMISSAL

Severe (torrential rains/tornado)/Winter weather or a building problem could call for an early closure OR a delay during our 3:30 dismissal time, therefore; we need to be prepared. Students and teachers need to know how a student is to get home in the event that the Power Zone would call for school to close early. *Students will be released only when administration feels it is safe.* Radio and TV stations, as well as our district website, www.49.org, will broadcast any school closure information.

In the event that there is severe weather upon dismissal at 3:30 p.m., we will follow the procedures for “severe weather dismissal.” See the table below. Severe weather constitutes one or more of the following in our area: a tornado warning, severe storms (torrential rain and/or lightning), hail or blizzard, severe temperatures (17 degrees or below with wind chill). A **BLUE** flag will be flown from the flagpole at the main entrance of the school to indicate a Severe Weather Dismissal.

If you need to contact your child, please call the # below and leave a message for the classroom teacher. If the message is URGENT, you may also want to contact the front office with the message.

Please fill out the attached form and return to your child’s teacher. This form will tell the teacher what to do with your child in the event there is an early closure. Do not hesitate to call if you have any questions or concerns. We always welcome ideas! Thank you for your continued support!

Severe Weather Procedures for RVES

Tornado Warning, Lightning, Torrential Rain, Hail, Blizzard, Severe/cold temperatures

WATCH: There is a possibility of a tornado.
WARNING: A tornado has been spotted. There may be little time before a tornado strikes. Tornadoes form suddenly.

SEVERE STORM

- ❖ Secretaries will listen to radio and/or weather bug to keep updated on storm system.
- ❖ If there is severe lightning, we use the following **30/30 Lightning Safety Rule**:
--Go indoors if, after seeing lightning, you cannot count to 30 before hearing thunder. Stay indoors for 30 minutes after hearing the last clap of thunder.
- ❖ *If students need to contact parents, they are to use the phone in their classroom.*
If a student does not get a hold of a parent/guardian, they will leave a message using the classroom phone number 719-495-1149 x _____. This will allow parents to directly and quickly contact their child and/or child’s teacher.

SEVERE WEATHER DISMISSAL PROCEDURES

STUDENTS WHO RIDE DAYCARE BUSES AND DISTRICT BUSES WILL REPORT TO THE GYM UNTIL THEIR BUS HAS ARRIVED AND IS CALLED OVER THE INTERCOM	CAR RIDERS WILL REMAIN IN THE CLASSROOM UNTIL A PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNS THEIR CHILD OUT FROM THE CLASSROOM or ADMIN DEEMS SAFE TO RELEASE TO THE PICK-UP LANES
STUDENTS IN THE MODULARS WILL COME INSIDE AND WAIT IN THE GYM UNTIL A PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNS THEIR CHILD OUT FROM THE CAFETERIA or ADMIN DEEMS SAFE	WALKERS WILL REMAIN IN THE CLASSROOM UNTIL PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNS THEIR CHILD OUT OR ADMIN DEEMS THAT IT IS SAFE TO WALK HOME.

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CHILD'S NAME _____ GRADE _____ TEACHER _____

Please check **ONLY ONE** and return to the classroom teacher. Thank You!

_____ Walk home, if a walking student, and student will have a way to get into the house (once administration determines it is safe).

_____ Ride bus home and student will have a way to get into the house if locked.

_____ Go to Day Care _____ Champions
_____ Private Provider- _____

_____ Wait at the school until parent picks up student.

_____ Other/Alternate Plan _____

PARENT SIGNATURE _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION:
