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Dear Fraser Families,

I know that many of you have concerns regarding the potential for school closings due to inclement weather. I feel it is important to share with you the decision-making process we take in our district to evaluate extreme cold or snowy weather conditions.

When the potential for a school closure exists, a team of district representatives – including our Transportation, Operations, and Maintenance departments, as well as representatives from Clinton Township, Fraser and Roseville – closely monitor the weather forecast. Fraser Public Schools also participates in a conference call with the superintendents from all Macomb County districts. Our decision to close or open is based on the safety of all of our students.

The decision to close involves many people, and several steps to ensure we are making the best decision possible, given what we know at the time. Our team continually assesses both the road and weather conditions in our district, including the wind chill factor. We also keep in mind what conditions may be at dismissal and take that into account in our decision-making process. Often this takes place throughout the night and into the early morning hours. Most importantly, we take into consideration the conditions for students who walk, wait outside at bus stops, or travel by car.

Our desire at all times is to have our schools open and operating, but our priority in making any decision is always the safety of our students and staff.

If a decision to close school is not made in the evening, we revisit the situation early in the morning. We know that weather forecasts can change suddenly, or conditions can deteriorate, and we are always cautious of closing school prematurely.

As soon as a decision is made to close, the information is sent out via School Messenger to families, as well as posted on our <u>district website</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, and <u>Facebook</u> pages.

We ask for your patience and trust as we make these important safety calls. Together we will do what is best and safest for our students and families.

Thank you for your support.

With Fraser Pride,

Carrie Wozniak Superintendent

"A caring district — working together"