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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

In preparation for the possibility of severe weather conditions, we would like to remind parents/guardians that all schools in the New Westminster School District will remain OPEN, if at all possible, during inclement weather including snowfalls.

In rare instances where a school closure is warranted, the decision will be made by 6:30 a.m. at the latest and will be announced over the radio stations **CKNW AM 980** and **CBC AM 690**. Phone calls and emails will also be made to parents and guardians who are part of our SchoolMessenger System. Further, school and district websites will be updated accordingly.

Student safety is our priority and we ask that if a parent/guardian feels that a child cannot travel safely to school then they should make alternate arrangements for their child. Student absences due to unsafe travel to school during inclement weather conditions will be excused. We also encourage parents/guardians to make advance alternate plans in the event of an unexpected school closure.

If you have any questions, please speak with your school principal.

Sincerely.

Karim Hachlaf

Superintendent of Schools