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Dear Students, Families, Friends, and Staff in the Auburn School Department:

As we approach another Maine winter, I want to take a moment to remind everyone of our procedures for school cancellations, delayed starts, and early dismissals due to winter weather.

Making decisions about school closures is never easy, especially given how quickly weather conditions can change here in Maine. Our priority is always the safety of our students and staff, and we appreciate your patience and flexibility as we navigate the winter months.

School Closure Notifications: Decisions about school cancellations, delays, or early dismissals are typically made early in the morning, with notifications sent by 6:00 a.m. Whenever possible, we will communicate a decision the evening before, but most decisions will be made in the morning.

Snow Days and Remote Learning: The first three school cancellations due to weather will be traditional snow days, which will be made up at the end of the school year. If additional weather-related cancellations are necessary, those days will be designated as remote learning days.

Lunch will be available on remote learning days. Families wishing to receive both breakfast and lunch should complete the sign-up form available on the Auburn School Department website.

Delayed Starts: When a delayed start is announced, schools will open two hours later than usual. Morning Pre-K classes will be canceled.

Early Dismissals: If an early dismissal is necessary, we will follow our regular early release Wednesday schedule. Students in grades K–6 will be dismissed at 1:00 p.m., students in grades 7–12 at 12:00 p.m., and afternoon Pre-K classes will be canceled.

How We Communicate: Once a decision is made, Mr. Robinson will send a notification through our automated communication system using the contact information we have on file, including text messages, phone calls, or emails. School closure information will also be shared on the Auburn School Department website and Facebook page, as well as through local television and radio stations.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding as we work to keep everyone safe this winter.

Sincerely,

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