

* **BLAINE SCHOOL DISTRICT #503** *
SEVERE WEATHER TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION ~ BLAINE & BIRCH BAY

SNOW CONDITIONS AND CLOSURES - School schedules and school bus transportation may be changed on short notice as winter ice and snow conditions begin to impact our area.

When conditions are severe, all announcements regarding school closures, delays or changes in transportation will be made over the following radio stations: **KGMI** (AM 790), **KARI** (AM 550), **KPUG** (AM 1170), **KAFE** (FM 104.1). Please tune to these stations if you have reason to believe that there may be a school closure or changes in the transportation schedule. The radio stations will repeat the school closures frequently. Also **KOMO 4, KING 5 AND KIRO 7 TV STATIONS** will carry the closures.

Information may also be found on the **Blaine School District website**: www.blainesd.org or by calling the **Snow Information Line** at: **332-0789**.

If there are no announcements on the radio or TV, you may assume that school is open on time and buses are on normal routes. During inclement weather, buses may run behind schedule. You may call the Transportation Department at 332-0700. **Bear in mind that phone lines will be very busy and your best first choice is to tune to a radio station for current updates.**

The Blaine School District would like to thank you for your cooperation and flexibility during inclement weather conditions and take this opportunity to remind parents to:

- Dress students appropriately knowing that they may have to wait longer than usual for the bus.
- Bear in mind that bus schedules may run late due to changing driving conditions.
- Allow for short notice schedule changes and late buses.
- Remind their children to be especially cautious while walking to the school bus stop during hours of darkness and inclement weather.
- Remind their children to wait well off of the roadway for the bus during icy and dark conditions.

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SNOW ROUTES

If snow routes are announced for the day, buses will not run on Deer Trail, Sweet Road hill, and other steep unsanded hills at the discretion of the driver. Students should assume the bus is not coming up their hill and meet at a safe place at the bottom.

- Students on **Deer Trail** should meet at Deer Trail and Birch Bay Drive at 7:35am.

- Students on **Sweet Road hill** should meet at Sweet Rd and Stadsvold Rd at 7:20am.

- Students at **Drayton Cove Gate, Boundary Ridge Gate, and the Semiahmoo Marina** should meet at Semiahmoo Parkway and Semiahmoo Drive at 7:10am.