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Dear Amador Families and Community:

The purpose of this communication is to provide information regarding current resources available to those displaced due to flooding, along with information and reminders as the new storm and ongoing rain approaches Amador County.

As you may know, the [Governor declared a state of emergency](#) effective December 27, 2022. Along with this, the Amador County Board of Supervisors declared a state of emergency and passed [Resolution No. 23-001 - RESOLUTION RATIFYING AND EXTENDING THE DECLARATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY IN AMADOR COUNTY DUE TO EXTREME WINTER STORM](#).

Earlier today I was in, I was in communication with emergency services at the California Department of Education and the California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) as school districts work together to support our families and the greater community. The [Cal OES Family Readiness Guide](#) will assist you and your family with home preparation, sheltering and evacuations, common hazards, supplies, and other useful resources.

Be sure you are signed up to receive [Parent Square](#) messages via text and email. This is the best form of communication for us to get details to you in a timely manner as we work through emergency situations. You can also sign up for Cal Alerts specific to Amador County by visiting [Calalerts.org](#) and clicking on our county. In addition, the following are great reminders to weather inclement weather:

- Be sure to charge all devices
- Have gas available for generators
- Pull out flashlights headlamps and candles in the event of a power outage
- Park all vehicles in a garage if possible

PLEASE READ

The following are details directly related to our ACUSD facilities and events taking place today and tomorrow:

- Effective at 4:00 pm today, all district facilities are closed to staff, students, and the public until further notice. We want to prevent injury, and keep our facilities easily accessible for emergency responders.
- Due to the unforeseen nature of the storm that may cause flooding and power outages, all ELOP programs will be closed tomorrow, January 5, 2023. We will plan for programs to resume as usual on Friday, January 6, 2023, and will notify families if there is a change in this plan.
- All sporting events and practices have been canceled for today, and we will assess student and staff safety tomorrow morning for games and practices taking place tomorrow afternoon. Please watch for updates on these events.

If you are currently displaced, or in need of resources for your student due to flooding or weather from the previous storm, please contact Regina Helmer at helmer@acusd.org or via cell phone at 209-304-9453. She is available immediately for any and all families in need of clothing, food, etc. If you are in need of additional assistance, you can contact the following as well:

- Red Cross: 916-993-7070
- Interfaith Food Bank: 209- 267-9006
- Operation Care: 209-223-2897

Throughout this evening, I will be in contact with the Amador County Office of Emergency Services. Updates will be sent to families and the community as they are available. Continue to check your email and devices for critical information. Please reach out if you have any questions or need assistance. I can be reached via email or at 209-273-8042. Be sure to check on your neighbors and stay safe. More updates will be sent as they become available.

All the best,

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