

Seymour Community Library

POLICY: Library Closings for Severe Weather and Unusual Circumstances

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Occasionally, the Seymour Community Library may need to be closed because of severe weather conditions, unusual circumstances, or an emergency. Such circumstances may include, but are not limited to, problems which threaten the health or lives of staff and patrons, i.e., serious gas leaks, extended power outages, severe weather, and disasters.

Closures will be announced to the public via the library website, social media, phone announcement and signage, if staff is able to reach the library facility for posting.

SEVERE WEATHER

Library facilities will usually be closed if the Seymour R2 School district is also closed due to inclement weather. Library staff *may* attempt to open if circumstances allow. Please do not travel to the library without first calling or checking the library website/social media to ensure the library is open.

Early closures due to weather conditions, may be announced at any time during the workday to ensure the safety of patrons and staff traveling.

OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES

The Director, and/or designated library staff in the absence of the Director, will determine whether conditions indicate a need to close the building or suspend other library services. These decisions will be made in consultation with the appropriate administrative staff.