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Dear Parents and Guardians,

As you may be aware, a Red Flag Warning has been declared by the National Weather Service through 5 p.m. Wednesday, November 14, 2018, due to forecasted strong gusty winds and low humidity. The National Weather Service issues Red Flag Warnings & Fire Weather Watches to alert fire departments of the onset, or possible onset, of critical weather and dry conditions that could lead to rapid or dramatic increases in wildfire activity.

Currently, there are dangerous weather (wind) conditions along power lines serving some of the outlying areas of the county. San Diego Gas and Electric (SDG&E) has activated a power shut off to these areas resulting in the closure of some schools in San Diego County. The Bonsall/Fallbrook area has not been identified as a closure area. We, along with our local fire officials, will continue to monitor the situation closely and respond accordingly should circumstances change.

I wanted to take this opportunity to let Bonsall Unified School District families know that our administrators have been working closely with local first responding agencies over the past year to review and improve our Fire Evacuation and Safety Plan(s). Each school site has practiced evacuation protocols with students and staff. While each site has identified at least two potential evacuation centers, please understand it is not possible to predict in advance if the evacuation centers will be viable during an emergency. The school and/or district's response will be predicated on the best available information at the time. Should you have questions, please feel free to reach out to the site principal.

If a fire or other emergency were to occur necessitating an evacuation, it is also essential that parents know the procedures for student pick-up and to be aware of how the district will communicate pertinent information. Please review the following reminders:

- Review the emergency contacts for each of your children. Make sure there is consistency. If your 8th grader and 4th grader have different emergency contacts, please understand the school may only release a child to the person(s) specified on the emergency card. Ensure that each emergency contact is aware they will be required to show photo identification before any child will be released from school.
- Be sure the school has your current email address and phone number on file. Our communication systems rely on the information provided by parents/guardians to send emails, alerts, and notifications. Out-of-date contact information could preclude parents and emergency contacts from receiving important information in a timely manner.
- Follow school and district social media accounts. Save and/or bookmark the BUSD website www.bonsallusd.com on your device. In the event of an emergency, messages and alerts will be posted as conditions permit.



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Bonsall Unified School District will continue to work collectively with our first responders and local agencies to protect the safety of all students and staff during extreme weather conditions. Please let us know if you have any questions or need further support from our team.

Sincerely,

David Jones
Superintendent