

Bloomsburg Area School District

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

On 18 March 1991, the Bloomsburg Area School District Board of School Directors adopted a resolution approving the Bloomsburg Area School District Plan (revised) for response to radiological emergency incidents at the Susquehanna Steam Electric Station. This letter contains information about the contents of that revised plan.

In the event of an "evacuation," all students, except for students residing in Beaver Township, will be dismissed as of an announced time. This will be similar to the early dismissal procedure that we follow in the event of inclement weather. All students who ride buses will be taken home in the normal way, except for those students residing in Beaver Township. These students will be transported to and held at the Bloomsburg High School.

In the event of a general emergency at the Susquehanna Steam Electric Station requiring the evacuation of Beaver Township, the pick-up location for all students from Beaver Township attending the Bloomsburg High School, Bloomsburg Middle School, Memorial Elementary School, W. W. Evans Elementary School, Columbia Montour Area Vocational-Technical School, special education classes in the Central Columbia School District, St. Columba School, Greenwood Friends School, Bloomsburg Christian School, and Columbia County Christian School, will be the Bloomsburg High School. These students will be transported and held at the high school.

Parents of children attending these schools, who reside in Beaver Township, are requested to pick up their children at these schools immediately upon notification that an evacuation has been ordered. Children from Beaver Township will not be bused home if an evacuation is ordered. They will be housed at Bloomsburg High School. Should parents from Beaver Township be unable to pick up their child/children within one hour after an evacuation is ordered they will be bused or held at the reception center at Bloomsburg High School to await the arrival of their parents.

Only the students from Beaver Township will be evacuated to Bloomsburg High School. All other students will be sent home in the normal way. This procedure is in accordance with the provisions of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Code (35 Pa. C.S.) and the Columbia County Radiological Emergency Response Plan. If you have any questions about this procedure, please feel free to contact me at 570-784-5000.

Sincerely,

Donald Wheeler Superintendent