



IMPORTANT EMERGENCY & WEATHER CLOSURE INFORMATION

As we approach potentially inclement weather next week, we would like to take the opportunity to remind you about our notification process.

Please refer to the **school website** CLOSURE INFORMATION page <http://www.stjoevanschool.org/closure-information.html> for details about our policy on school closure and delays.

FLASHALERT

It is our expectation that all families and staff subscribe to FlashAlert <https://www.flashalert.net/> the regional media & emergency alert messaging system used for emergency/weather closure notifications (as do the public school districts, area private schools, colleges and organizations). This system is only used for emergency/weather closure information and linked to posting the information on **local news and media** outlets.

Our **dedicated FlashAlert page** accessed online at <https://www.flashalert.net/id/StJ> and any active postings will be displayed there.

If you **ARE subscribed**, be sure to **confirm your contact information annually**.

- FlashAlert will send an email reminding you to validate your email each year or you can login to your account to verify.
- FlashAlert **supports email notifications** and has a standalone app for iOS and Android.
- Visit <https://www.flashalert.net/login/> to access your existing account and/or to link to the app for installation on your mobile device.

If you are **NOT subscribed** got to <https://www.flashalert.net/id/StJ> enter your primary email address and click **SUBSCRIBE**.

- You will be prompted to confirm your email, create a password then click create an account.
- Note that you **MUST VALIDATE your account** with a code or link sent to your email to activate it.
- Once your account is created you can add up to three (3) email addresses for notification.
- You can add other area schools and organizations to your subscription for notification as well.
- After you have created your account, you can login at <https://www.flashalert.net/login/> or use your credentials to login and use the mobile app.

SWIFTK12

As an add-on to our student information system, we subscribe to **SwiftK12**. This connects directly through PowerSchool and the guardian contact information for each student. You are automatically enrolled in the system if you are a parent/guardian of an existing student based on the contact information you have provided and is entered in the system. This system will send alerts via text, voice and email. Please be sure to update the front office if this information changes to assure your contact information is up to date.

We will use this message alert system **in addition to FlashAlert** for emergency and weather closures as well notifications such as safety, pick-up/drop off reminders as needed.

Finally, both of these systems will post to the **SCHOOL FACEBOOK page** <https://www.facebook.com/stjoevanschool> with each emergency/weather notification.