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Dear Parent / Guardian:

Evergreen School Division is seeking to enhance communication between families and schools by offering a new method of contact and by clarifying the communication methods already in place.

Please be advised of the following:

Communication Method	Purpose / Use
Automated calls to home and/or cell phone	School announcements/ reminders Urgent messages regarding school closures / cancelled or late school bus transportation
Text messaging NEW! (see sign up information below)	School announcements/ reminders Urgent messages regarding school closures / cancelled or late school bus transportation
Edsby	Teachers communicate with students and parents regarding assignments and attendance
Email	Group communication letters to parents from schools or the school division Notes from school staff regarding individual student matters
Division/ School Websites	Information of interest to parents is posted, including announcements related to weather and other emergencies

Our newest communication method – texting, requires an "opt in". To sign up, text the word "Join" to number 56360. If your cell phone number is in our system, you will receive a response saying "thanks for joining" as well as directions for "opting out" at any time. If your number is not in our system, the reply will request you register your cell phone number with the school office.

For further information on any of the communication methods described above, or to update the contact information of your family or an emergency contact, please communicate with your child's school. Up to date contact information is especially important during the winter months where there is a higher likelihood that families will be need to be contacted regarding school bus or school cancellations.

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