## **Tornado Procedures**

During severe weather, school personnel will be monitoring conditions through local news reports and the National Weather Service. Each school is equipped with radios for scanning the National Weather Service. All schools conduct tornado drills with students at least twice a year to ensure they are aware of procedures.

## **Tornado Warning**

- Students and staff will move to designated safe places and proceed into the precautionary duck and cover position.
- Please refrain from coming to school to pick up your child during a tornado warning as staff will be keeping students safe and unable to respond to parent requests.
- Students will not be dismissed from school while the area is under a tornado warning.
- Students will be held at school and buses will not be allowed to transport students until the tornado warning has been lifted and the all clear is given.

## **Communication Procedures**

- Phones may not be answered during a tornado warning, as students and staff will be in the precautionary duck and cover position.
- Parents will be notified via the SchoolMessenger notification system of any changes in transportation, as well as school delays associated with a tornado warning.
- The ISD will share updates via the District website and ISD Facebook and Twitter as soon as information becomes available.