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School District of Milton to Begin Using Text Alert Emergency Messaging System

The School District of Milton is pleased to announce that starting in mid-November of 2015, it will begin to offer an optional text alert emergency messaging system to keep parents and families informed about emergencies and/or school closings.

The text alert system is in addition to other communication methods currently used by the District to inform families about emergency closings or other critical incidents, which include the District website, social media and the automatic telephone call system.

To help ensure the accuracy of all existing phone numbers, the District is requesting that all families look at their Family Access page to ensure their cell phone number or numbers are listed correctly. If the phone number is current, families do not need to do anything. If the phone number or numbers are not current, we are asking that families please update them. All families, with and without cell phones, will still receive the automatic telephone calls. This will ensure both cell phones and landline phones are receiving a consistent voice message.

Families will have the opportunity to option in or option out of the text alert messaging system. More details will be sent directly to families closer to the scheduled launch date in mid-November.

The District only intends to use this system for emergencies and school closings, very similar to the current automatic telephone call system. The text alert emergency message system is scheduled to be operational on November 15, 2015.

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