UW Procedures for Severe Weather Closures, Delayed Openings or Early Closures

- Communication protocol established between UW Administration and UW Communications Office
- Monitor weather conditions and area closures & cancellations on an hourly basis
- Ongoing review of all updated weather forecasts and satellite information from NOAA (National Weather Service), Weather Channel, WYDOT and UW Atmospheric Sciences
- Communication link established with Superintendent’s Office at Albany County School District (communication updates begin 5:00 A.M. – 5:30 A.M.)
- Snow removal and infrastructure updates from UW Physical Plant
- Current weather condition updates and reports from UW PD and local law enforcement
- Updates from Transit and Parking Services on status of bus fleet, road conditions

- AVP Operations provides recommendation to VP for Administration and President’s Office
- AVP Operations provides official weather notification to UW Communications Office (before 6:00 A.M.)
- UW Communications will issue announcements via text alert messages, campus e-mail broadcast, color-coded message on UW home page, notification to UW phone operators, communication to Wyoming Public Radio, messages to local radio stations & electronic media and periodic updates to state officials in Cheyenne.
- Monitor weather conditions for potential cancellation of UW Athletic events, Fine Arts programs and UW student-sponsored special events

Cold Weather Safety Net

On-call assistance from UW Police Department and Transit and Parking Services subject to each department’s availability, digital signboards located across campus will provide frequent weather updates, and cold weather tips on Risk Management and Safety home page.