

September 20, 2005

To: Patrons of CISD

From: Don Hendrix,
Superintendent

Subject: Hurricane Rita

Early this week we started making contingency plans if Hurricane Rita comes our way. Here are some questions and answers concerning preparing for a storm.

Will We Have School Friday?

No, we are canceling school on Friday. Stay tuned to the designated Radio and TV stations for further information concerning next week. Our plans are to open school as soon as possible.

What about extracurricular activities?

All after school activities will be cancelled Thursday and Friday.

Will we have a shelter?

If we are in the Hurricane Watch area we will open the Crosby High School Commons as a **temporary** shelter. We will open the shelter Friday afternoon at 4:00 p.m. Again, the shelter is only temporary.

How will I know?

Listen to News Radio station KTRH (740), Television Station KTRK (Channel 13), and Spanish Television Station KXLN (Univision 45, Cable Channel 10). They will be notified of the shelter or school closings.

If we do not have a way to get to Crosby High School how do I get there?

CISD will transport, in buses, until the wind reaches 50 mph or the roads are impassable. **IF THE STORM IS LIKELY DO NOT WAIT, GO TO A SHELTER EARLY IF YOU NEED TO.**

The following numbers will reach the CISD Transportation Department:

281-462-3117

281-328-9247 or 9248

281-462-3170

What should I bring to a shelter?

Needed Medications, Cots, blankets, Diapers and wipes, battery operated radios, and flashlight with batteries.

What will the district have on site?

Water, cold snacks, restroom facilities, and, primarily, a safe shelter. Crosby ESD #5 (EMS) will have a presence. The district Maintenance, Transportation, and Food service departments will have a presence onsite.

What about pets?

We will shelter pets in the Ag Shop. All those bringing small pets should bring them in a small carrier, kennel or have them on a leash. Pets of any kind will not be allowed in the shelter area.

Who should come to a shelter?

Anyone who feels their residence is in danger from wind, water, or other dangerous conditions.

How long will we shelter at the high school?

We do not know. We would certainly like to have school on Monday, however, we do not know what will come our way? This is a school district shelter, not a Red Cross Shelter.

What if this is all a false alarm?

We will all be thankful.