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## **Inclement Weather Policy**

### **1. Scope**

The scope of this policy is to define the inclement weather conditions which would dictate the closure of the Boyertown Community Library (BCL).

### **2. Purpose**

The purpose of this policy is to clearly state the factors that drive the closure of the BCL due to inclement weather. Library closure can occur prior to the Library's being opened for the day or at any time during the day due to changing weather conditions.

### **3. Inclement Weather**

For the purpose of this policy, inclement weather is defined as any weather condition, including but not limited to snow, ice, sleet or hurricane, which could cause hazardous conditions for patrons in transit to, or from BCL.

### **4. Library Closure**

#### **4.1 Prior to Opening**

In case of inclement weather, hours of operation will be determined by the Library Director, the Director's designee and/or an officer of the Board of Trustees. If the Borough of Boyertown declares a Snow Emergency, BCL will be closed. If closed, the check-in date for materials will be moved to the next business day.

#### **4.2 After Opening**

The Library Director, (or the Director's designee and/or an officer of the Board of Trustees) may determine that to remain open would cause patrons to travel home in unsafe conditions.

#### **4.3 Late Opening**

On days where conditions are unsafe, the opening time of the BCL will be based solely on the decision of the Library Director, Director's designee and/or an officer of the Board of Trustees.

#### **4.4 Closure Information**

The Library Director, Director's designee, and/or an officer of the Board of Trustees will report weather closures and late openings on the BCL Facebook Page and on WFMZ Channel 69.

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