



Staking A Claim in Our Students' Future

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GUTHRIE JUNIOR HIGH FLOODING DAMAGE TO FORCE DISTANCE LEARNING FOR THE BUILDING NEXT WEEK EMERGENCY BOARD MEETING CALLED

Late this afternoon unexpected damage was discovered due to the flooding of the cafeteria at Guthrie Junior High School. The building's boiler system that heats a majority of the building was rendered inoperable due to water damage. After the water had been fully cleared and power restored to the building, the system required a thorough inspection. The units sustained more water damage than originally believed. Tomorrow the cleanup will continue.

Due to the lack of heat, Guthrie Junior High students will be in distance learning for the week of February 22nd through the 26th. Grab and go meals will be available for students at Cotteral, Central and Charter Oak Elementary Schools. All other GPS classes will resume as scheduled.

In order to respond to this extraordinary circumstance, an emergency meeting of the Guthrie Board of Education has been called for Sunday afternoon at 3:00 p.m. The meeting will take place at the Guthrie Board of Education building located at 802 E. Vilas Ave.

Quotes from Guthrie Superintendent of Schools Dr. Mike Simpson:

Late this afternoon, we examined all possibilities to get the building opened safely with heat as soon as we learned of the bad news. We believe we have a plan to submit to the Board of Education which could get us back up and running as early as Monday, March 1st. Unfortunately, this the best of all bad options. We are fortunate to have a solution as quick as projected.

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