

[nkustudentnews] Severe weather alert — sub-zero temperatures expected next week

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TO: NKU campus community

FR: Tom Ramstetter, director of university communications, for the Office of Safety and Emergency Management

RE: Severe weather alert — sub-zero temperatures expected next week

Dear NKU campus community,

As part of our commitment to your safety and well-being, we would like to inform you about an impending severe weather event. Sub-zero temperatures are anticipated in the coming days, posing potential risks to health and property. Please take the following precautions to ensure your safety and comfort during this extreme weather:

1. **Close doors and windows:** Ensure that all doors and windows are securely closed to prevent the penetration of cold air into your living spaces. This will help maintain a warmer and safer indoor environment.
2. **Maintain thermostats at 65 degrees Fahrenheit:** Set your thermostats to a minimum temperature of 65 degrees Fahrenheit (18 degrees Celsius) to provide a comfortable and safe living environment. This will also help prevent freezing of pipes and other potential cold-related issues.
3. **Check heating systems:** Verify that your heating systems are in good working condition. If you encounter any issues, please submit a Maintenance Request or for emergency situations contact, Work Control during normal business hours at (859) 572-5660 or Power Plant after hours at (859) 572-5548.
4. **Emergency kit preparation:** Assemble an emergency kit containing essential items such as blankets, non-perishable food, water, medications, flashlights, and batteries. Be prepared for potential power outages.
5. **Limit outdoor activities:** Minimize outdoor activities, especially during the coldest parts of the day. If you must go outside, dress in layers, including a hat, gloves, and a warm coat.
6. **Keep fire lanes clear:** Ensure that fire lanes are kept clear of vehicles and obstacles to allow for quick and unobstructed access for emergency services. This is crucial for your safety and the safety of your community.
7. **Stay informed:** Keep yourself informed about the weather conditions through reliable sources. Monitor local news, weather forecasts, and official advisories for any updates or changes. University closing or delay information will be available through the following media: [Norse Alert](#), local radio and TV, NKU social media and www.nku.edu.
8. **Assist neighbors:** Check on neighbors to ensure they are also taking necessary precautions and help if needed.

Remember, your safety is our top priority. Please follow these guidelines to mitigate the impact of the severe weather conditions. As always, call 911 in case of an emergency.

Stay warm and stay safe.

Thank you.

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