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Dear SDSU Community,

We are nearing the end of the 2022 fall semester, and I want to begin by thanking you all for your efforts to support campus safety and security. As a reminder, the SDSU Emergency Management Team supports the campus community with preparation for emergencies and emergency response and recovery.

Winter Weather Season

As we turn the calendar to our winter months, we know that hazardous winter weather is on its way and even forecasted for the coming week. Please review this information and safety tips to ensure you're prepared for hazardous winter weather:

- [SDSU Winter Weather Awareness](#) (includes link to SDSU Emergency Closings policy)
- [SDSU Emergency Procedures](#)
- [National Weather Service for Brookings, SD](#)
- [Local Road Conditions \(SD DOT\)](#)
- [South Dakota Winter Weather Preparedness Guide](#)

It's important to keep up with the latest forecasts and to understand the difference between a watch and warning.

- **Winter Storm Watch** means significant winter weather is possible, but not imminent.
- **Winter Weather Advisory** means winter weather is imminent and may cause minor inconveniences.
- **Winter Storm Warning** means a significant winter storm is imminent and may cause minor inconveniences.
- **Blizzard Warning** means a winter storm is imminent and is a dangerous threat to life and property.

If you are new to the area or to winter weather, you may be interested in joining the virtual winter weather awareness training with the National Weather Service. [Click here](#) for more information.

Emergency Management Trainings

To help the university community prepare for emergencies and the unlikely possibility of an active threat, [SDSU Emergency Management provides training opportunities](#) at no cost to SDSU employees and students. These trainings include an Active Threat Training, which we encourage you to complete annually to stay up-to-date on information and to refresh your memory. We encourage you to review and participate in these training opportunities.

SDSU Emergency Management Plan

SDSU maintains an [Emergency Management Plan](#), which serves as a guide for emergency management and coordination of all phases of emergency response in order to minimize the impacts of disasters and incidents, to protect people and property, and to restore any interruptions to university operations. Preparedness is a daily activity and a mindset that, when practiced, will help our community respond nimbly when faced with the unexpected. We encourage you to review [SDSU's Emergency Management Plan](#) to support colleagues, students, and visitors should an emergency arise.