

INCLIMENT WEATHER - Severe Thunderstorms

- A. The National Weather Service issues a severe thunderstorm “watch” whenever conditions are favorable for the formation of such storms; it issues a “warning” when such storms have formed and may pose an imminent threat. The District Emergency Management Coordinator will monitor both “watch” and “warning” alerts.
- B. Only the President or his/her designee shall have the authority to cancel classes/work or adjust the times at which they begin, end, or resume.
- C. If a thunderstorm is believed to pose a danger to Hinds Community College personnel/facilities, Public Safety officers in the field shall alert anyone who is outside.
- D. If instructed to do so by Public Safety, or if weather conditions dictate, individuals who are inside should be prepared to move quickly to safe areas within their buildings—to areas such as hallways and enclosed classrooms, away from windows.
- A. Individuals who are outside should immediately seek shelter in the safest nearby building or under structures that will provide safety, avoiding trees or structures that may collapse or attract lightning.
- E. Any injuries or damage resulting from the storm should be reported to 911 and Public Safety immediately.