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Ice Storm Causes District Wide School Cancellations

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Last night, the combination of constant drizzle and freezing temperatures resulted in icy roads and dangerous conditions. At 5:30 AM today, **Breitung Township Schools** announced on their Facebook page that “Due to the dangerous road conditions, Breitung Township Schools and the Woodland Childcare Center are **CLOSED** today, Monday, February 4.” This is the *third time* Breitung Township Schools has been forced to cancel in the last two weeks.

These cold temperatures and dangerous conditions have not been exclusive to the Dickinson County Area, however. The entire midwest region of the United States has been experiencing a deep freeze caused by what meteorologists are calling a “Polar Vortex”. This system is characterized by low pressure and swirling cold air in polar regions. It is common for this type of system to move down southward to the midwestern and northwest United States, which is what has been happening in the past few weeks.