



# JAMESTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

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The following message is intended for families of students attending Jamestown School District for both Jamestown Elementary and Chinese Camp Schools.

This communication is to inform you of Jamestown School District's plan in the event we are notified that electrical power may be shut off to the local area by Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E), consequently impacting our offices or school sites. Jamestown School District communication may be somewhat different depending on the needs during an actual PG&E Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS).

## ABOUT PG&E PUBLIC SAFETY POWER (PSPS) SHUTOFFS

Due to the increased intensity and frequency of wildfires in Northern California, the California Public Utilities Commission has required that the electrical grid be powered down in areas prone to fires in times of elevated risk. In response, PG&E may, at times, implement an expanded PSPS that may impact Tuolumne County.

PG&E has indicated it will provide notice 48 hours in advance of a planned power shutoff, when possible. Such notice will trigger the activation of Jamestown School District's response plan. During this response, you can expect email, voice message, and/or text message communications through our Jamestown School District auto-dialer system or information to be communicated through the local radio stations/websites:

- KVML 1450 AM
- KZSQ 92.7 FM
- KKBN 93.5 FM
- mymotherlode.com

**PHASE 1: 48 HOURS PRIOR TO PLANNED POWER SHUTOFF:** Early warning that PG&E has given 48-hour notification of a possible power shutoff and that Jamestown School District is monitoring the situation. Under most circumstances, Jamestown School District will not initiate closures of schools or offices based upon this 48-hour notification. *At this point, please plan for school to continue as scheduled.*

**PHASE 2: 24 HOURS PRIOR TO PLANNED POWER SHUTOFF:** You will receive an update informing you if the power shutoff has been cancelled/postponed or if it is still scheduled. If the power shutoff is still scheduled, you will be informed no later than 5 p.m., if Jamestown School District is planning to close both schools the next day.

**PHASE 3: DURING PLANNED POWER SHUTOFF:** You will receive daily updates until the power is switched back on and schools are back in session. You will also be able to find updates at [www.jespanthers.org](http://www.jespanthers.org) if the power is available in the Jamestown area. If not, then please use the sources above to access updates and information.

## POWER OUTAGE RESOURCES

Jamestown School District believes that planning ahead is the best safeguard. With this in mind, we have provided more information and resources below to help you and your family prepare for an extended power outage.

- Make sure you can receive updated information from PG&E by updating your contact information at [www.pge.com/mywildfirealerts](http://www.pge.com/mywildfirealerts).
- Talk to your medical provider about a power outage plan for medical devices powered by electricity and refrigerated medicines. Plan for batteries and other alternatives to meet your family's medical needs when the power goes out.

- Review the supplies that are available in your household in case of a power outage. Have flashlights with extra batteries for every household member. Have enough nonperishable food and water stored to meet your family's basic needs for at least a few days.
- Use a thermometer in the refrigerator and freezer so that you can know the temperature when the power is restored. Throw out food if the temperature is 40 degrees or higher.
- Keep mobile phones and other electric equipment charged and gas tanks full.
- Know how to manually open electric garage doors and gates.

*Tuolumne County Office of Emergency Services:* <https://www.tuolumnecounty.ca.gov/308/Office-of-Emergency-Services>

*Tuolumne County Wildfire Preparedness:* <https://www.tuolumnecounty.ca.gov/1162/Wildfire-Preparedness>

*Tuolumne County Everbridge Emergency Notification Sign up page:*

<https://member.everbridge.net/index/1332612387832200#/login>

*Public Safety Power Shutoff (PG&E):*

[https://prepareforpowerdown.com/?gclid=EAJaIQobChMIrf77nMGA5AIVIx6tBh13CwSsEAAYASAAEgL8vPD\\_BwE](https://prepareforpowerdown.com/?gclid=EAJaIQobChMIrf77nMGA5AIVIx6tBh13CwSsEAAYASAAEgL8vPD_BwE)

Thank you,

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