

## **Text and e-mail Notifications**

The Batesville Community School Corporation (BCSC) has recently arranged for residents to keep abreast of school closings, delays and emergency-related information via text message and e-mail. While radio and television will still be used to publicize such information, many residents may prefer this method of notification.

Nixle is a web-based service used by a variety of government entities, including law enforcement and schools, to disseminate time-sensitive information within their communities. After registering on-line, individual users can choose the types and origins of notifications they wish to receive.

For an overview of the notification services available, log on to [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com). From the Nixle home page you can navigate the site by entering your city's name or proceed directly to resident registration. After completing and submitting the registration page you will be able to customize your account by choosing the locations and settings of your notifications. The *Settings* tab is one of the most important, as it allows users to determine the agencies and organizations from which they will receive notifications. It also permits users to choose the levels of the messages received (Alert, Advisory, Community, Traffic). Please note that the Community option must be selected in order to receive text and e-mail notifications regarding BCSC closings and delays.

Users are responsible for maintaining the accuracy of their contact information and need to be aware that text message fees may apply for those individuals who do not have a text package as part of their cellular phone contract.