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AGENDA

- Review of School Safety Practices
- Chronology of School Threats and Response
- Understanding School Safety Terminology
- How Can Parents Help?
- Next Steps



School Safety Practices

- We conduct school safety drills on a monthly basis to allow students and staff the opportunity to practice in the event of a real emergency.
- Examples of typical drills that we practice include: fire, lockdown, and tornado drills.



SCHOOL SAFETY TERMINOLOGY

Lockdown

- A **Lockdown** allows teachers and students to participate in their survival when an **active threat** is INSIDE of our school.
- All school activities stop during a lockdown.
- This could mean students and staff barricading in the classroom or evacuating when possible.





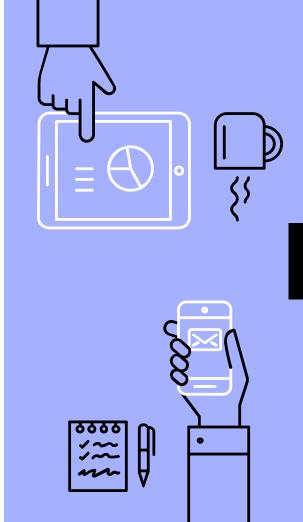




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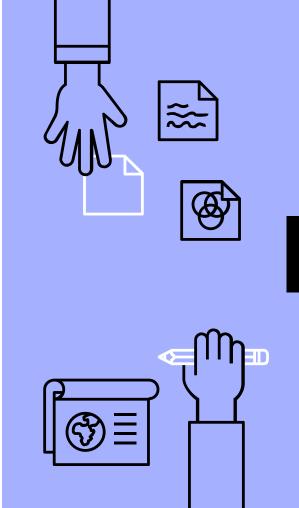
Secure The Building

- When an active threat is known to be outside of our school, we will secure the building.
- Most school activity can continue within a classroom.
- No one will be allowed to enter or exit the school under any circumstances.



Chronology Of School Threats and Response

Date	Time	Threat Type	Response	Resolution
12/21/19	11:15am	911 Hang Up Call – Threat Of A Weapon In The Building	School Placed In Secure The Building Status and Then Placed On Lockdown	No Weapon Found In The Building
1/7/19	11:00am	911 Hang Up Call – Threat Of A Weapon In The Building	School Immediately Placed On Lockdown	No Weapon Found In The Building
1/7/19	12:40pm	911 Hang Up Call – Threat Of A Weapon In The Building	School Immediately Placed On Lockdown	No Weapon Found In The Building
1/8/19	8:25am	911 Hang Up Call – Bomb Threat	Evacuation Procedures Initiated	No Bomb Found



HOW CAN PARENTS HELP?

Talk to your children:

- Let them talk about how they are feeling but remain calm.
- Encourage them to be fully cooperative during drills and emergencies.
- If they notice something unusual or have a concern about a stranger in the building **TELL AN ADULT!**
- If they know that one of their classmates could be a threat, is in danger, or is having an emergency **TELL AN ADULT!**
- If they know that one of their classmates is making false calls about the school **TELL AN ADULT!**

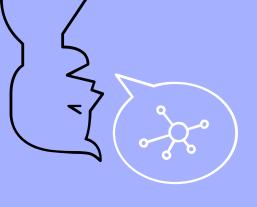


In The Event Of An Emergency

- Look for details and updates on the ACPS Website.
- Follow ACPS on Twitter and Facebook.
- Do not report to the school or the evacuation location.
- ACPS will always send periodic updates and an end of the day update.









Next Steps

- Increased security presence at Hammond.
- Counseling service available for students and staff if needed.
- Ensuring school safety with students and staff through continued drill practice.
- Continued collaboration with the Alexandria Police Department On the Investigation



THANK YOU!

Any questions?

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