

## Emergency Management Parent Information

It is our primary goal to run safe schools. The New Jersey State Department of Education requires public schools to hold monthly fire drills and to run emergency management drills. All our schools run efficient drills which ensure the safety of your children.

If it is determined that an actual emergency management situation arises, we have a list of expectations for parents to follow indicated below. These expectations have been discussed with local Office of Emergency Management, the local police and the administrators of the South Plainfield Schools. Please read them over. If you have any questions, please contact your principal.

- School Messenger (electronic phone and email notification system) will provide information regularly and accurately.
- Students are not permitted to use any electronic communication device for safety reasons.
- Parents are discouraged to communicate with or contact their children using any electronic device.
- The school phones will be locked down and unavailable.
- If a decision is made to evacuate a school, police will not allow any civilians near or at the evacuation site.
- Once a meeting place has been determined for parents to gather, School Messenger will broadcast that information. As soon as accurate information is available, an administrator will share information with the parents at the designated place.
- Local groups such as PAL staff may not have information regarding the incident, so please do not call them.

The administration will make every effort to make effective use of School Messenger during an emergency. As indicated, our primary goal is the safety of your children.