Standard Response Protocol (SRP)

About

Compass Rose Public Schools adopted The "I Love U Guys" Foundation's Standard Response Protocol (SRP). Throughout the school year, students and staff will be training, practicing, and drilling the protocol to make sure everyone is familiar with the process in the case of an emergency.

COMMON LANGUAGE

The Standard Response Protocol (SRP) is based on an all-hazards approach as opposed to individual scenarios. The premise is simple – there are five specific actions that can be performed during an incident of crisis or emergency. When communicating incidents to the school community, the action is then followed by a "Directive." Execution of the action is performed by active participants, including students, team members, and first responders. The SRP is based on the following actions: Hold, Secure, Lockdown, Evacuate, and Shelter.

IN AN EMERGENCY TAKE ACTION

HOLD! In your room or area. Clear the halls.
STUDENTS — Clear the hallways and remain in room or area until the "All Clear" is announced. Do business as usual
ADULTS — Close and lock the door. Account for students and adults. Do business as usual

SECURE! Get inside. Lock outside doors.
STUDENTS — Return to inside of building. Do business as usual
ADULTS — Bring everyone indoors. Lock outside doors. Increase situational awareness. Account for students and adults. Do business as usual

LOCKDOWN! Locks, lights, out of sight.
STUDENTS — Move away from sight. Maintain silence. Do not open the door
ADULTS — Recover students from hallway if possible. Lock the classroom door. Turn out the lights. Move away from sight. Maintain silence. Do not open the door. Prepare to evade or defend

EVACUATE! (A location may be specified)
STUDENTS — Leave stuff behind if required to. If possible, bring your phone. Follow instructions
ADULTS — Lead students to Evacuation location. Account for students and adults. Notify if missing, extra or injured students or adults

SHELTER! Hazard and safety strategy.
STUDENTS — Use appropriate safety strategy for the hazard
ADULTS — Lead safety strategy. Account for students and adults. Notify if missing, extra or injured students or adults

Hazard	Safety Strategy
Tornado	Evacuate to shelter area
Hazmat	Seal the room
Earthquake	Drop, cover and hold
Tsunami	Get to high ground

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PARENT GUIDANCE

In the event of a live incident, parents may have questions about their role.

SECURE (LOCKOUT)
"Get Inside. lock outside doors"

Secure was formerly called Lockout, and the actions are the same. It is called when there's something dangerous outside of the building. Students and staff are brought into the building and the outside doors will be locked. The school might display the Building is Secured poster on entry doors or nearby windows. Inside, it will be business as usual.

SHOULD PARENTS COME TO THE SCHOOL DURING A SECURE (LOCKOUT) EVENT?

Probably not. Every effort is made to conduct classes as normal during a secure event. Additionally, par- ents may be asked to stay outside during a Secure event.

WHAT IF PARENTS NEED TO PICK UP THEIR STUDENT?

Depending on the situation, it may not be safe to release the student.

As the situation evolves, Secure (Lockout) might change to a Monitored Entry and/or Controlled Release.

SCHOOL IS SECURED
MONITORED ENTRY AND CONTROLLED RELEASE

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ENTRADA VIGILADA Y SALIDA CONTROLADA

WILL PARENTS BE NOTIFIED WHEN A SCHOOL GOES INTO SECURE?

When a Secure (Lockout) condition is brief or the hazard is non-violent, like a wild animal on the playground, there may not be a need to notify parents while the Secure is in place.

With longer or more dangerous events, the school should notify parents that the school has increased their security.

LOCKDOWN
"Locks, Lights, Out of Sight"

A Lockdown is called when there is something dangerous inside of the building. Students and staff are trained to enter or remain in a room that can be locked, and maintain silence.

A Lockdown is only initiated when there is an active threat inside or very close to the building.

SHOULD PARENTS COME TO THE SCHOOL DURING A LOCKDOWN?

The natural inclination for parents is to go to the school dur- ing a Lockdown. Understandable, but perhaps problematic. If there is a threat inside the building, law enforcement will be responding. It is unlikely that parents will be granted ac- cess to the building or even the campus. If parents are al- ready in the school, they will be instructed to Lockdown as well.

SHOULD PARENTS TEXT THEIR STUDENTS?

The school recognizes the importance of communication between parents and students during a Lockdown event. Parents should be aware though, during the initial period of a Lockdown, it may not be safe for students to text their parents. As the situation resolves, students may be asked to update their parents on a regular basis.

In some cases, students may be evacuated and transported off-site for a student-parent reunification.

WHAT ABOUT UNANNOUNCED DRILLS?

The school may conduct unscheduled drills, however it is highly discouraged to conduct one without announcing that it as a drill. That's called an unannounced drill and can cause undue concern and stress. Parents should recognize that the school will always inform students that it is a drill during the initial announcement.

DRILL IN PROGRESS
NO ONE IN OR OUT

SIMULACRO EN CURSO
NO SE PERMITE LA ENTRADA
O SALIDA DE NADIE

It's important to differentiate between a drill and an exercise. A drill is used to create the "muscle memory" associated with a practiced action. There is no simulation of an event, simply performing the action. An exercise simulates an actual event to test the capacity of personnel and equipment.

CAN PARENTS OBSERVE OR PARTICIPATE IN THE DRILLS?

The school welcomes parents who wish to observe or participate in drills.

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