

Blackwell Emergency Plan

What Students Do In an Emergency

In the event of an emergency such as an earthquake, building fire or a danger in the community, we want to students to understand what steps we will take to make sure that everyone is safe and get the care that they need.

If there is an earthquake then:

1. Students will get into a safe place to first protect their head and then the rest of their body. In a classroom, this means getting under a desk. In the hallway, this may mean getting into a doorway. Outside it may mean getting away from the building.
2. Wait in the safe place until an adult gives instructions. There are often aftershocks after an earthquake.
3. Listen for directions from the teacher or adult in charge. When it is safe, we will leave the building in a calm, organized manner.
4. Classes will walk together to the bottom of the hill on the north side of the playground.
5. Teachers will take attendance and take care of students.

If there is a fire alarm then:

1. Listen for directions from the teacher or adult in charge. When it is safe, we will leave the building in a calm, organized manner.
2. Classes will walk together to the bottom of the hill on the north side of the playground.
3. Teachers will take attendance and take care of students.

If there is something or someone dangerous in the Blackwell neighborhood:

1. We will call for a lock down over the intercom. This means the classroom doors will be locked, windows closed with shades pulled down.
2. Depending on the situation, outside school doors may be locked.
3. Follow the directions of the teacher.

What Parents Do In an Emergency

In the event of a serious emergency such as an earthquake, building fire or a danger in the community, we want to parents to understand what steps we will take to make sure that everyone is safe and get the care that they need.

If you are coming to Blackwell to pick your student up in an emergency situation:

1. Please know that our first priority is to take care of all of the children.
2. If we have evacuated the building then students will be lined up on the north end of the playground at the bottom of the hill.
3. Teachers will have an attendance list and you will be asked to sign your child out if you are taking them home.
4. Neighbor children and friends will only be released to you if you are on their Emergency Contact list. This is one reason that it is very important to always have this paperwork updated.
5. Please be calm and reassuring. Emergency situations are stressful for everyone and your reactions can have a positive or negative impact on the students.