

SAFETY SPOTLIGHT

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

The time to start thinking about what to do in an emergency is now, before it happens. Here are some steps.



1. Know Your Plans:

California schools and colleges are required to comply with California Education Codes, Section 32281 and Section 71095, which calls for developing emergency action plans to address violence prevention, student and staff intervention and recovery. Additionally, all California employers are required to comply with the California Code of Regulations Title 8 section 3220: Emergency Action Plans and section 3221: Fire Prevention Plans.

2. Have Supplies Ready

- ❖ Water (1 gallon per person for a minimum of 3 days)
- ❖ Food (ready to eat, low salt, non-perishable)
- ❖ Flashlights and radio (with extra batteries)
- ❖ Medications

- ❖ Sturdy shoes
- ❖ Tools (wrench, duct tape, fire extinguisher, sturdy gloves & whistle)
- ❖ Sanitation and hygiene supplies

3. Get Trained

Rescue or CERT trained and learn about Incident Command System (ICS), Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS) and National Incident Management System (NIMS). For more information, visit

<https://training.fema.gov/IS/NIMS.aspx>.

4. Stay Informed

It is important to know how your County/Local Emergency Services will notify the community before, during and after an emergency. These include:

- ❖ Emergency Alert System
- ❖ Commercial Media
- ❖ Amateur Radio
- ❖ Websites

5. Get Involved

- ❖ Develop phone trees for your site, district, city, and county.
- ❖ Develop relationships with your local law enforcement and utility companies and Red Cross.
- ❖ Implement Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with critical suppliers.
- ❖ Develop Mutual Aid agreements with neighboring districts and colleges (busing, manpower and facility use).

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