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# Create a Culture of Emergency Preparedness

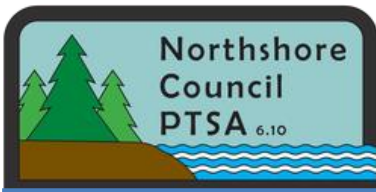
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## Help Families Prepare for Emergencies:

- Have Preparedness presentations at your PTSA/PTA video meetings
- Emergency Preparedness information table at your Back to School event
- Open House or other school/community events
- Provide simple preparedness info in every PTSA/PTA newsletter.
- Encourage families to create a family emergency communication plan, assemble an emergency supply kit, and to put together a list of out-of-area contacts
  - Visit [www.ready.gov/plan](http://www.ready.gov/plan) for more information
- Provide parents with First Aid, CPR, AED & Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) class schedules.
  - Contact local Fire Dept, Citizen Corps or American Red Cross
- Provide Emergency Student Reunification Information (work with your principal)
  - Provide parents with clear information about your school's emergency student release procedures.
  - What will the signs say? How does the process work?
  - Encourage parents to provide the school with up-to-date contact information in [Northshore School District ParentVUE](#)
  - Give instruction on how parents should select emergency contacts and pick up persons
  - Advise parents to let people know that they are on the list of persons able to pick up their child. Persons listed should be informed of release procedures.
- Remind parents that they must sign-in and sign-out EVERY TIME they come into the school building. Parents need to add siblings when they sign-in. (Search and Rescue teams may be sent after people who have already left, or may not search for those who did not sign in.)
- Ask parents and Students to talk about what to do if a disaster strikes while they are at school, home and work.

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<input type="checkbox"/>  <p>Sign up for Alerts and Warnings</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>  <p>Make a Plan</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>  <p>Save for a Rainy Day</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>  <p>Practice Emergency Drills</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>  <p>Test Family Communication Plan</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>  <p>Safeguard Documents</p>
<input type="checkbox"/>  <p>Plan with Neighbors</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>  <p>Make Your Home Safer</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>  <p>Know Evacuation Routes</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>  <p>Assemble or Update Supplies</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>  <p>Get Involved in Your Community</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>  <p>Document and Insure Property</p>



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## More Ideas:

- Host a Safety and Emergency Preparedness Fair
- Hold an Emergency Preparedness Fundraiser
- Sell Survival Kits and First Aid Kits at Back to School Night or Open House events.
- Place preparedness brochures in first day packets
- Place preparedness brochures in the school office.
- Participating in *the [Great Washington Shake Out](#)*, an earthquake preparedness drill. Participating is a great way for your family or organization to be prepared to survive and recover quickly from big earthquakes— wherever you live, work, or travel. Remember to drop, cover and hold during an earthquake!

## Assist Staff and Administrators:

- Provide an educated, positive and willing PTSA/PTA leadership.
- Provide a PTSA/PTA representative for the building safety committee.
- Be willing to support staff training opportunities.
- Provide your school administrator with CERT class schedules for staff.
- Seek volunteers to help with organizing and inventorying emergency supplies, assist with emergency drills, etc.
- Provide updates of school emergency preparedness items purchased with PTA funds.

***For more information, questions or suggestions, please contact Northshore Council PTSA Emergency Preparedness co-chairs, [eprep@northshorecouncilptsa.org](mailto:eprep@northshorecouncilptsa.org)***



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[www.northshorecouncilptsa.org/emergency-preparedness](http://www.northshorecouncilptsa.org/emergency-preparedness)