

Dear Parent(s) or Guardian(s),

The safety and well-being of our students and staff remain our highest priorities at Climax-Scotts Junior & Senior High School. One of the most effective ways we maintain a safe learning environment is by regularly practicing our emergency procedures, as required by state law. These include fire drills, severe weather drills, and lockdown drills.

We want to let you know in advance that we will be conducting two planned lockdown drills this week:

- Wednesday, November 19, in the afternoon
- Thursday, November 20, during passing time

During these drills, students and staff will practice the same procedures we would use in a real emergency. The purpose is to help everyone remain calm, follow directions, and respond quickly should we ever face an actual emergency. These drills also give us the opportunity to review and strengthen our safety plans.

We are sharing this information ahead of time, so families are not surprised if students mention or text about the drills during the school day. We encourage you to talk with your child about the purpose of the drills and reassure them that this is simply a practice to help keep everyone safe. Most students complete these drills with confidence once they understand the purpose.

While we hope we never face a real emergency, practicing now ensures that our students and staff know what to do and how to respond safely and calmly should a situation ever arise.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the main office at **269-746-2300**. Thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain a safe and prepared school community.

Sincerely,

Brent Cole, Principal