



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

TO: Franklin Families
FROM: Janice Tierney
DATE: October 5, 2018
RE: Safety First

Student safety is our first priority at Franklin School. As a component of practice, we engage in monthly drills that provide procedural structure supporting student success. Drills that may be familiar include fire, evacuation and shelter in place. Some newer practices include Code Janet, lockdown and ALICE. We practice safety drills each month with at least two drills scheduled reflecting a diverse range of responses. These drills may or may not be announced in advance in order to allow faculty the opportunity to instruct and engage students to ensure understanding. Please see information outlined below for a brief explanation of each drill.

FIRE & EVACUATION – Requires complete building evacuation in a safe, efficient and timely manner.

SHELTER IN PLACE – secures students and staff inside of the building when a potential dangerous situation event is anticipated i.e. weather.

CODE JANET – reflects a medical emergency in the building that includes the need for an AED.

LOCKDOWN – Response reflects event as announced

ALICE – Is an alternative response to a lockdown but includes locking down or evacuation as options.

As always, if you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to reach out.

REMEMBER – Franklin students ONLY have a single session day on Monday, October 8. This is a 12:30 dismissal.

This week launched the start of several after school enrichment clubs/activities. Thank you for reminding your students about their participation each day. This has ensured success in getting everyone to where they are scheduled to be in a timely and organized manner.

We are welcoming Mrs. Andrea DiFabrizio to the guidance department and Franklin Staff. Mrs. DiFabrizio will be with us mid day on Tuesdays to not only engage with students in group activities but also provide support during lunch and recess.

Thank you all for your cooperation with signing your children in if they are a late arrival. Your attention to these details ensures that our day launches in a positive manner.

....and the weather report looks wonderful for the entire weekend. Hoping that you have something planned to enjoy these clear fall days. Whatever it may be, enjoy!!