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Dear Parents/Guardians,

As you aware, each of our school building is required to periodically conduct drills (fire drills, lockdown drills, and bus safety drills) in order to prepare our students and staff to deal with emergencies in the safest possible way. The Copiague School District has recently completed their annual update of the Emergency Management Plan.

While the plan covers a wide variety of potential emergencies including natural disasters, there are four basic responses in such situations:

1. **Go Home Plan** – Meets the need to return students to their homes and family as rapidly as possible.
2. **Shelter Plan** – Addresses the need to provide shelter on either a short term or long term basis.
3. **Evacuation Plan** – Meets the need to clear all occupants from a building (fire drill)
4. **Lockdown Plan** - Addresses the need to secure the building if the perceived danger is inside the building.

The full Emergency Management Plan detailing responses to specific emergencies is available at each school. If you have any questions regarding the Emergency Plan, you may contact me at (631) 842-4010 extension 400.

Sincerely,



Joseph M. Agosta
Principal