Safety/ Emergency Terminology and Communication at Belfast Central

Emergency Terminology	Description	Notification to Families
Hold-in-Place	Used to limit movement of students and staff while dealing with short-term emergencies.	Generally, none. If communication is warranted, the Superintendent or designee will send out a mass notification to families.
		Information may also be posted on the District Facebook and webpage when it is safe to share information.
Lockdown	Used to secure school buildings and grounds during incidents that pose an immediate threat of violence in or around the school.	The Superintendent or designee will send out a mass notification to first responders immediately and to <u>families and staff as soon</u> <u>as possible</u> , but only after it is safe to share information. Information will also be posted on the District Facebook and webpage when it is safe to share information.
Lockout	Used to secure school buildings and grounds during incidents that pose an imminent concern outside of the school.	The Superintendent or designee will send out a mass notification to first responders immediately and to <u>families and staff as soon</u> <u>as possible</u> , but only after it is safe to share information. Information will also be posted on the District Facebook and webpage when it is safe to share information.
Evacuation	Used to evacuate students and staff from the building.	The Superintendent or designee will send out a mass notification to first responders immediately and to <u>families and staff as soon</u> <u>as possible</u> , but only after it is safe to share information. Information will also be posted on the District Facebook and webpage when it is safe to share information.

In the event of an emergency in our building, the New York State Troopers will take control of the release of information. To receive any incident updates, follow the New York State Troopers on Twitter and/or Facebook at:

@nyspolice (Twitter)

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