



Dear North Allegheny Senior High School Parents/Guardians,

In the month of September 2025 we will conduct a lockdown drill at North Allegheny Senior High School. The drill will be announced to students in advance so that they are not surprised. The procedures require all staff to secure students into designated areas within classrooms and the building, close exterior windows and blinds, and lock all doors. Once the classrooms are cleared, students and staff will evacuate the building and relocate to Newman Stadium.

On site to assist with the drill to ensure accuracy on all levels were:

- NAPD Chief Eric Harpster
- McCandless Police Department

Lockdown drills are held periodically throughout the school year to ensure our staff and students feel confident about our emergency plans in place here at North Allegheny Senior High School. Practice drills also allow us to evaluate our emergency operation plans and improve upon our response skills. We feel reassured that our safety plans can be implemented effectively by our staff to keep our students safe.

We will communicate with your student(s) in school on the day of the drill on a developmental level so as not to cause your student(s) to be alarmed. While we hope to never need to call for a lockdown in a real-life situation, we can never be too prepared when it comes to the safety of our students and staff.

We also respectfully ask that all parents/guardians abide by the following during future drills and real-life situations:

- Do not come to the school campus.
- Do not call the school offices, as they will be busy with the drill or actual emergency.
- Avoid social media posts. Correct information will be disseminated through SchoolMessenger, on the District website, and via official District social media.
- In the event of an actual emergency situation, you will receive a notification of where to pick up your student as soon as practical.



Additionally, please ensure your contact information is up-to-date in PowerSchool. If you have any questions regarding our safety and security procedures at NASH, please feel free to contact me at mbuchak@northallegheny.org.

You may also find additional safety resources at northallegheny.org/safety.

Sincerely,
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