



Little Falls Community Schools

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Dear Little Falls Community Schools Families,

At Little Falls Community Schools, the safety and well-being of our students and staff is our top priority. To support this commitment, our district has adopted two nationally recognized safety programs from the "I Love U Guys" Foundation—the Standard Response Protocol (SRP) and the Standard Reunification Method (SRM). A parent handout of both programs is attached.

Standard Response Protocol (SRP)

The SRP provides a common language and clear set of actions that students, staff, and first responders can follow during an emergency. It is based on five specific protective actions:

- Hold – Remain in your classroom or area
- Secure – Get inside. Lock outside doors
- Lockdown – Locks, lights, out of sight
- Evacuate – Move to a designated location
- Shelter – Use appropriate safety strategies for the hazard (e.g., tornado, hazardous materials)

Students and staff regularly train, practice, and drill these actions throughout the school year to build familiarity and confidence.

Standard Reunification Method (SRM)

Following certain emergencies, students may need to be picked up from school or another reunification site through a structured process called a reunification. The SRM ensures that students are released safely, efficiently, and only to authorized individuals.

Parents/guardians arriving at a reunification site will be asked to:

1. Present photo identification at the check-in area
2. Complete a reunification card for each student they are picking up
3. Wait as staff safely bring their student to them from the student assembly area

This process protects students and provides an accountable transfer of custody from the school to a recognized parent/guardian.

Importance of Updated Emergency Contacts

To support this safety process, it is essential that each student's parent/guardian and emergency contact information is accurate and up to date in Skyward. Only those listed as a student's parent, guardian, or emergency contact will be allowed to pick up a student during a reunification. This safeguard ensures we are releasing students to the correct and authorized individuals.

Thank you for partnering with us to keep our students safe. By working together and staying informed, we can ensure our schools remain secure and prepared.

Sincerely,

Mark Diehl
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