COMMUNICATION DURING AN EMERGENCY

When an emergency situation arises, the safety and security of students and staff members is our **NUMBER ONE PRIORITY**. We will provide information regarding the situation as soon as possible, once the Kettering Police Department has been notified and the safety and security of students and staff has been attended to.

Please be aware that the district is bound by federal privacy laws under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) when providing information regarding a school emergency. This means that while we strive to provide timely and accurate information during an emergency, FERPA may limit the sharing of certain details about students and their involvement in the situation.

When there is an identified threat at any of our buildings, information about the situation and subsequent updates will be shared with families and staff districtwide. We know that families may have children at multiple buildings and that our staff have children and family members attending school and/or working at other buildings, so we will always keep families and staff, districtwide, apprised of emergency situations.

When there is an emergency, but non-threatening, situation at a building, the building principal will typically share information about the situation with their school families and staff.

How to get info...

In the event of a district wide or building emergency, the district's website – www.ketteringschools.org – will be "Communication Central."

The website will be the best source for the most up-to-date information regarding the situation.

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Additional Communication Tools

- **The Education Connection (TEC) callout system -- Parent/Guardian phone numbers are pulled from PowerSchool**
- **District Facebook Page -- @Kettering City Schools**
- **Local news affiliates:**
  - **Ch. 2 - www.wdtn.com**
  - **Ch.7 - www.whio.com**
  - **Ch. 22 - www.dayton247now.com**