NY STATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE TERMS

SCHOOL NAME:
911 ADDRESS:

Effective 7/1/25, schools must use the emergency terms on this card. (8 NYCRR §155.17)



SHELTER-IN-PLACE/SHELTER

SHELTER STUDENTS AND STAFF INSIDE THE BUILDING BECAUSE IT IS SAFER INSIDE THE BUILDING THAN OUTSIDE.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

- Listen for instructions.
- Students in hallways should return to assigned classroom, if possible.
- Take attendance.
- Staff assist students as needed.
- Move away from windows if situation warrants.
- If instructed, move out of classroom to designated safe area; take attendance upon arrival at the new location.
- Stay together at all times.
- Listen for updates.



HOLD-IN-PLACE/HOLD

RESTRICT MOVEMENT OF STUDENTS AND STAFF WITHIN THE BUILDING WHILE DEALING WITH SHORT-TERM EMERGENCIES.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

- Listen for instructions.
- Students in hallways should return to assigned classroom, if possible.
- Take attendance.
- Staff assist students as needed.
- Listen for updates.



EVACUATE

EVACUATE STUDENTS AND STAFF FROM THE BUILDING.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

- Listen for instructions.
- Lead students to designated assembly area. Use secondary route, if necessary.
- Students in hallways should evacuate through the nearest exit.
- Bring attendance list and class roster.
- Close the classroom door after exiting.
- Take attendance when safe to do so.
- If evacuating off site, take attendance before moving from and upon arrival at off-site location.
- Listen for updates.



SECURE LOCKOUT

STUDENTS AND STAFF REMAIN INSIDE LOCKED SCHOOL BUILDINGS DURING INCIDENTS THAT POSE AN IMMINENT CONCERN OUTSIDE OF THE SCHOOL.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

- Listen for instructions.
- Lock all exterior doors and windows.
- Follow school procedure for blinds/lights.
- Take attendance.
- Classroom instruction continues as normal.
- All outdoor activities are terminated.
- Listen for updates.



LOCKDOWN

SECURE STUDENTS AND STAFF INSIDE LOCKED CLASSROOMS DURING INCIDENTS THAT POSE AN IMMEDIATE THREAT OF VIOLENCE IN OR AROUND THE SCHOOL.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

- LOCKDOWN announced - move quickly.
- If safe, gather students from hallways and common areas near your classroom.
- Lock the door. Barricade if necessary.
- Move students to a safe area in the classroom out of sight of the door.
- Follow school procedure for windows/blinds/lights.
- Keep everyone quiet. Silence cell phones.
- Take attendance, if possible.
- Do not communicate through door or answer room phone.
- Only respond to P.A. or alarms when there is an immediate life safety hazard based on observed conditions (smoke, fire, heat).
- Stay hidden until physically released by law enforcement personnel.