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Dear Families, Friends, and Staff in the Auburn School Department:

The Auburn School Department prioritizes the safety and well-being of all students and staff. As part of our emergency preparedness efforts, we have implemented the nationally recognized A.L.I.C.E. program. This program provides staff and students with a range of options to respond effectively in the unlikely event of a dangerous situation at school.

During the week of October 12, all Auburn schools will conduct an A.L.I.C.E. drill to practice lockdown and evacuation procedures.

A.L.I.C.E. stands for Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, and Evacuate. Prior to the drill, students will receive age-appropriate instruction and have opportunities to practice the strategies they have learned. Lessons and practice activities will be provided with care and sensitivity to minimize anxiety while helping students build confidence and understand how to respond safely in an emergency.

We encourage families to talk with students about the importance of being prepared and to remind students that drills are simply a way to practice so everyone knows what to do if a situation ever arises.

If you have any questions about the upcoming drill, please contact your child's school administrator. Thank you for your support as we work together to keep our schools safe.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan Dorris".

Susan Dorris, EdD
Superintendent of Schools