



October 13, 2026

Dear Parent/Guardian,

McKeesport Area School District's top priority is the safety, security, and well-being of all students and staff. Administration, in collaboration with the City of McKeesport and White Oak Borough Police Departments, is committed to regularly practicing safety procedures with our teachers, staff and students. Therefore, we will implement our yearly Safety Week activities beginning Thursday, October 15th through Wednesday, October 21st, 2026. These activities are being scheduled across two weeks to avoid conflict with Homecoming activities.

The activities for the week include (Please note, dates may alter on an as needed basis, but all activities will take place this week):

**Thursday, October 15:** The GREAT Shakeout (earthquake drill) for all schools

**Monday, October 19:** *I Love You Guys Foundation* Training Video at High School and Founders' Hall

**Tuesday, October 20:** *Bee Ready, Everything Will Bee Alright!* Book at Francis McClure and Twin Rivers Elementary Schools

**Wednesday, October 21:** Evacuation Simulation Drills at all buildings.

Bus evacuation drills have already taken place for the fall and were very successful. We continue to hold fire and evacuation drills once a month throughout the year. Please be sure to remind your son and/or daughter about bus safety!

**We ask that you make sure your child is aware of this information, and the reason for the drills, to avoid unnecessary panic.**

We understand the concerns of parents and will continue to take progressive steps to ensure the safety of students and staff. Please contact building principals if you have any questions. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

The McKeesport Area School District Administrative Team