MOTHER SETON SCHOOL

A Pre-K - Grade 8 Catholic School for All

November 2, 2026

Dear Families,

One of my highest priorities as Principal is ensuring the safety and well-being of all students and staff members. To that end, we conduct monthly fire drills as well as other safety drills.

In August 2024, all faculty and staff participated in crisis training conducted by the I Love U Guys Foundation. The training, titled Standard Response Protocol to an Emergency, included school safety protocol training for weather events, fires, accidents, intruders, and other threats to personal safety. This was a required training for all Mother Seton School employees. For more information on the I Love U Guys Foundation, please visit their website: www.iloveuguys.org. We conducted a refresher training on the information in this course for our staff on August 26, 2026.

On Thursday, November 5, the entire school will practice three drills. The first drill, ***hold***, is the protocol that is used when hallways need to be kept clear of occupants. An example of when a hold would be required would be if someone in the school was sick or injured, and paramedics needed to enter the building without any obstructions in the hallway. The second drill, ***secure***, is the protocol that would be used to safeguard people within the school building. An example of when the secure protocol would be used is if there was an emergency in the community outside the building. The third and final drill, ***lockdown***, is the protocol that would be used to secure individual rooms and keep occupants quiet and in place. An example of when the lockdown protocol would be used is if an intruder enters the school building.

Teachers will be speaking to their students today and again before the drills to provide age-appropriate explanations about the drills; the students will be aware that the drills will occur on Thursday, November 5. We will also use this opportunity to test our Public Address system that has pre-programmed emergency messages.

Mother Seton School is committed to working towards a safe and secure school for our entire school community.

Sincerely,

Joseph M. Fanning

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Principal