

River Valley Elementary

Early Learning Center



On December 6, 2021 River Valley Early Learning Center conducted a lockdown safety drill. Teachers and students were notified in advance, with extra consideration for students that may have some anxieties about this kind of drill. The drill was initiated at 8:40 with the following announcement "Your attention please. This is a drill. We are in lockdown. Teachers, lock your doors and keep students in your room until further notice. Students or staff should go into the nearest classroom or office. Ignore all alarms and bells unless advised otherwise." The drill was concluded 3 minutes later at 8:43 with an "All clear" announcement.

Students are trained to follow the teacher's directions and move to a safe area in the classroom. Teachers locked doors, covered inside windows, took attendance, and spoke quietly with their students in order to help the children remain calm. Being very cognizant of our youngest learners, teachers were prepared to handle the childrens' fears appropriately. During the drill, all doors were checked. All were found to be secured.

There were 114 students and 24 adults present for this drill.

Successful highlights:

Staff and students responded well. Students were very quiet in their classrooms. It was a good learning experience.

Focus areas for the next drill:

Two classroom doors were found to be secured, but not locked. We will work on making sure we can quickly lock doors as well as secure them with the pins.

Certifications

Our School Board will meet to discuss this drill on December 9, 2021 during our regular meeting. Our school certifies that this drill was conducted on December 6, 2021 and this written evaluation was sent to and reviewed by the school board on December 9, 2021.

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