



Dear Monte del Sol Charter School Parents and Guardians,

November, 15, 2024

We hope this letter finds you well. As part of our commitment to the safety and well-being of our students, we want to ensure that you are informed about the various emergency protocols we have in place at Monte del Sol Charter School. While we hope we will never have to implement them, it is important that you are aware of how we would respond to certain emergency situations.

Here are the key protocols the school follows in the event of an emergency:

Active Shooter Situation:

If there is an immediate threat of an active shooter on or near campus, the school will implement run-hide-fight protocol. Students and staff are trained in the most current protocol each August by POMS & Associates, our risk management/safety & security partner. Community members will be directed to secure classrooms, lock doors, remain out of sight, and barricade doors if needed. Law enforcement will be contacted immediately, and we will keep you updated through our emergency communication system as soon as it is safe to do so.

Shelter in Place:

In situations where there is a potential environmental hazard (such as a chemical spill or severe weather), we will initiate a "shelter in place" order. This means students will remain indoors and will not be allowed to leave the building until the situation is resolved or we are given the all-clear by authorities.

Evacuation:

In the event of a fire, bomb threat, or other emergency requiring evacuation, students and staff will be directed to exit the building in an orderly manner. We have established designated assembly areas where students will be accounted for and further instructions will be provided.

Relocation:

If the school building becomes unsafe or inaccessible, we will relocate students to a pre-designated safe site. Parents will be notified of the relocation point, and students will only be released to authorized individuals, as indicated in our student records.

We conduct regular drills to ensure that all students and staff are prepared for these situations. Additionally, our staff is trained to respond calmly and effectively in any emergency.

We understand that emergencies can be a source of concern for families, but please rest assured that our priority is the safety of all students. In the event of an actual emergency, we will communicate with you as quickly and clearly as possible through email, text messages, or phone calls.

Thank you for your ongoing support in helping to ensure the safety and security of our school community.

Sincerely,

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