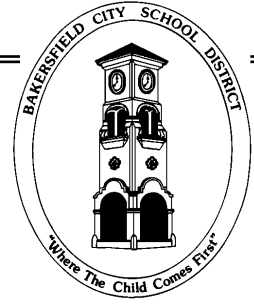


# *Bakersfield City School District*



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Dear Parent/Guardian:

The safety of our students is always of top priority at the Bakersfield City School District (BCSD). We are continuously working on implementing programs and initiatives to help strengthen the safety of our students and staff. As such, BCSD is pleased to announce that your child's school will be implementing the Standard Response Protocol (SRP). This is a tool to help schools be in the best position possible to respond to critical incidents on our campuses.

## **What is the SRP?**

Part of keeping students and faculty safe is knowing we have procedures in place, using a common language, for incidents such as weather events, earthquake, fire, flood, accidents, intruders, and other threats to students, staff and visitors. The SRP is a nationally recognized safety protocol for schools. The SRP consists of four actions: Lockout, Lockdown, Evacuate, and Shelter. In the event of an emergency, the action and corresponding directive is called. Each action is as follows:



**LOCKOUT!**  
**GET INSIDE. LOCK OUTSIDE DOORS.**

The LOCKOUT! Protocol is implemented when there is a potential threat or hazard outside of the school buildings or grounds. It requires increased situational awareness, but allows the educational process to continue with little classroom interruption.

Examples: Suspicious person; Criminal/dangerous activity in neighborhood surrounding campus; Animal on campus.



**LOCKDOWN!**  
**LOCKS, LIGHTS, OUT OF SIGHT.**

The LOCKDOWN! Protocol is implemented when there is an active or immediate threat in the school building(s) or on school grounds. This protocol requires locking classroom doors, turning off lights, remaining silent and out of sight.

Examples: Imminent danger on or near campus such as a hostile person, gunfire or direct threat.



## EVACUATE! TO A LOCATION

The EVACUATE! Protocol is called to move students and staff from one location to another.

Examples: Fire or Bomb threat. When conditions outside buildings or off campus are safer than inside or on campus.



## SHELTER! TO A LOCATION!

The SHELTER! Protocol is called when there is a general threat to health and personal safety, and it is not safe to evacuate.

Examples: Earthquake, flood, smoke from wildfire, or hazardous materials

### **How will students learn the SRP?**

Students and staff will participate in drills all year learning each of the four actions, (LOCKOUT, LOCKDOWN, EVACUATE, and SHELTER). Our school will inform parents prior to any drills so as not to cause unnecessary alarm.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and your support in enhancing the school safety protocols in our District. Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to call my office at 661-631-.

Sincerely,

Dawn Slaybaugh  
Principal