



Perrysburg
Schools

Parent Safety Task Force Newsletter

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Parent Safety Task Force

Our Mission

To share information and promulgate new ideas about school safety among the school district, local emergency services, city resources and families in order to ensure the highest level of education and understanding across the local school community.

The Parent Safety Task Force is composed of a parent representative from each school building. For contact information please visit <http://www.perrysburgschools.net/ParentSafetyTaskForce.aspx>

Parents Role During an Emergency

The Perrysburg School District is committed to providing a safe environment for students, employees and visitors. We work closely with our local public safety officials – sheriff, police, fire and county emergency leaders – to ensure our schools are well-prepared for an emergency. Each building in the school district has an Emergency Operations Plan that guides employees and public safety partners in the event of an emergency.

BEFORE AN EMERGENCY: (Prevention/Preparedness)

- Keep your contact information updated in our student information system. You may do this by thoroughly reviewing your contact information annually at the start of each school year and notifying the secretaries of your child's school right away if you have any changes throughout the school year. Please see Notification System for additional details.
- Report any safety issues, concerns or rumors to your school principal or police/sheriff.
- Use the Safer Ohio School Tip Line - 844-723-3764. This is a free service that accepts calls and texts 24/7 and allows anyone to anonymously share information with school officials and law enforcement about threats to safety.
- Support security measures when visiting our schools by signing in and out at the school office and wearing a visitor's badge at all times.

Parents Role During an Emergency continued

DURING AN EMERGENCY: (Response Communication)

- In a school emergency, the first instinct of many parents/guardians is to call or rush to their child's school, however, the best action they can take in an emergency is to stay close to their phone and email to monitor school district communications for updates and instructions.
- STAY CLOSE to the telephone number you have provided as your contact information for school district updates through our automated notification system. Please note, you will only receive text messages if you have followed the instructions for our Notification System as mentioned above.
- DON'T come to your child's school during emergency situations. The school access route and street entrance areas must remain clear for emergency vehicles.
- AVOID calling the school or the district offices during the emergency. Please leave our lines open for emergency calls.

AFTER AN EMERGENCY: (Recovery)

- Follow directions provided by the school district for reunification as needed.
- Monitor your student's behavior and let the school know if you think counseling or other help may be needed. Following a school crisis, specially-trained school district personnel are available to provide counseling and outside referrals to students, employees and others who may need it.
- Perrysburg Schools will work as quickly as possible to restore normal school operations and will inform families of any changes.
- The Parent's Role in a School Emergency document is located within the Parents section of the Perrysburg Schools website within the Parent Safety Task Force Page.

Weather Related Emergencies

With the start of winter upon us, we are sharing the weather-related decision-making process in regards to the delay or cancelation of school used by the district. When questionable weather is expected, the superintendent and transportation director head out to personally check the roads. The decision to delay or cancel must be made by 6 a.m. because the school district's buses would begin to depart to pick up students at that time. To ensure you receive notifications about school delays and cancelations, ensure your phone number in your student's information system (PowerSchool) is correct and that you "Opt-In" to receive a text message.

For more information please view [Weather-Related Decision](#) article on the Perrysburg Schools website.