

# School Administrative Unit 18

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Dear Franklin Families,

In light of the tragedy last week in Parkland, Florida, I wanted to reach out to you to reassure you about our emergency preparedness in the district. I met with my administrative team this morning to review safety protocols and discuss ongoing training efforts in the district. As part of our discussion we recommitted to conducting drills in our 7 emergency responses. These include:

- Lockdown
- Drop, Cover, and Hold
- Secure Campus
- Shelter in Place
- Scan
- Evacuation
- Reverse Evacuation

We are equally concerned with the emotional safety of your child. It is normal to feel anxiety or sadness when faced with a tragedy beyond our control. Please contact the school counselors, administrators, or teachers if you are concerned or have questions about your child's reaction. We have trained counselors at the schools who can provide services to your child if needed.

In addition to practicing our emergency responses and focusing on our students' wellbeing, I am also pleased to share with you that we just received a grant from the State of New Hampshire in the amount of \$336,000 for safety enhancements. These funds will be used to re-key all 3 schools in the district, increase the number of security cameras on the outside of the schools, install bollards where appropriate, and install shatter resistant film on the glass windows across the district.

Please know that safety is my number 1 priority in the district and we will continue to make the necessary improvements to keep our kids safe. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's safety at school.

Sincerely,



Daniel J. LeGallo