

Crisis response & management at RE-1

- Mitigation & Prevention
- Preparedness
- Response
- Recovery

Mitigation & Prevention, Preparedness, Response, and Recovery are the four main components of the RE-1 Valley School District Crisis Management Plan, which aligns with national standards. Every year, the crisis response plan is reviewed and updated as necessary.



Communicate

Parents have several ways to access information from RE-1 Valley School District in emergency situations:

- Listen to local radio stations 97.5, 104.7, 105.7 FM or 1230 AM
- Call the District emergency contact number
- Access the district website at www.re1valleyschools.org

**RE-1 Valley School District
Emergency Contact Number:**
970-522-0792
Access our website -
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This *In case of an Emergency* brochure gives parents an overview of the crisis response system currently in place for RE-1 Valley School District sites.

If you have questions, please contact your school administrator.

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For Parents and Students in
RE-1 Valley School District

In case of an Emergency...



**What to expect in the event
of a school emergency or
crisis situation**





Stay or Go?

RE-1 Valley School District, along with local police, fire and emergency medical agencies, has developed a series of plans to use in emergencies and crisis situations. The plan and type of emergency or situation determine whether students and/or staff members remain inside a building (stay) or are evacuated from the building (go).

Stay

When it is not safe to leave the building, “stay” is the instruction or command given to the school site. There are two stay commands: “shelter in place” and “lockdown.” As an example, the shelter in place command is used when there is severe weather outside and it is safer for students and/or staff to remain inside.

On the other hand, if a site goes into lockdown, all exterior doors, windows, and access points are closed and locked to secure the area and protect those inside of the building.

What to expect after a crisis occurs

Once it is safe to reunite parents with students, parents and students go through the check-out process at a designated location.

Connecting parents with their children is a high priority and will be done as soon as it is safe.

Parents are notified of the designated location through one of the RE-1 communication sources.

Each school maintains a list of people authorized to pick up and transport your student. Whether you are a parent, guardian, or other “authorized person,” You must have proper identification in order to pick up your student(s).

Go

“Go” is the command given for evacuating the area.

There are many situations where a school may be evacuated. For example, a fire or an unexplained odor would prompt an evacuation.

In the event students and staff cannot re-enter the building in a short time, all school sites have procedures in place to evacuate to nearby facilities.

A District-wide Crisis Response Team (DCRT) works with the school's own CRT to help in emergency situations.

Many of our communication sources rely on accurate parent contact information. Please be sure your school has information that is up to date.

Following a crisis situation the school will offer parents resources to support your child's emotional well being. In some situations counselors from the school and community will be available at the school following a crisis. In other situations resources will be made available to parents. Parents can always access support through the school counselor or school psychologist at your child's school.



In the event of a lockdown

- Know that your children are safe and in a sheltered place; **do not come to school.**
- **NO ONE is allowed in or out of the buildings during a lockdown.** (Staff, students, parents, visitors etc.)
- Do not call school or expect your child to call you; this will tie up emergency lines that must remain open.
- If your child's stay at school is extended beyond the regular time, stay tuned to the local radio stations and the district website for the place and time you may pick up your child.
- Listen to local radio stations 97.5, 104.7, 105.7 FM or 1230 AM for current information and instructions. Information will also be placed on the district's website. (www.re1valleyschools.org)

Depending on the emergency, students may or may not be allowed to use cell phones during a crisis situation.



Know the plan

As with any good strategy, it is most effective when everyone knows the plan.

Schools practice a variety of “stay or go” drills throughout the year so that students and staff members will know how to respond in the event of a real emergency.