



ROCKY RIVER EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER BEACH SCHOOL

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Dear Rocky River Early Childhood Parents,

During the school year we will engage in safety drills with the students. These drills are designed to prepare the children and staff to be aware of and to quickly react to emergency situations. At Beach School, we do this in a calm and gentle manner. We do not present details about the possible threats, but discuss the need to always be safe. Prior to the drills, the teachers will have classroom discussions to ensure a clear understanding of the purpose and procedures. The drills we will conduct throughout the year include:

1. Bus Evacuation Drill: Students learn the safe manner to exit the bus in an emergency. The drivers explain safety procedures for daily entering and exiting the bus.
2. Earthquake Drill: This drill requires students and staff to “DROP, COVER, and HOLD ON”.
3. Evacuation Drill: Students and staff exit the building and go to a “staging” area.
4. Fire Drill: Students and staff will exit the building and will not enter until the all clear has been given.
5. Lockdown Drill: Students and staff will lock down in place and will be out of sight of windows and doors. All doors will be locked and no one will be allowed access to the building during the drill. The Rocky River Police Department will be in the building to assess the drill and will provide feedback and insight on strengths and needed improvements.
6. Tornado Drill: Students and staff will go directly to their “safe” area, away from windows and doors.

Respectfully,

Tara Marley