



BERRYHILL PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
INDEPENDENT DISTRICT NO. 10

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February 20, 2018

Dear Parents:

**In the aftermath of the Parkland High School shooting tragedy that gripped our nation last week, I felt the need to reach out to our parents and inform them that our school district has made preparations to respond effectively to such situations. Our administrative staff has met several times this past week to review our current Emergency Response Plan.**

**Realizing that an active shooter situation is perhaps one of the most disturbing and traumatic of all emergency crises that could occur on a school campus, I wanted to make you aware of our effort in implementing drills, performing procedural reviews and cooperating with local law enforcement personnel.**

**The safety and welfare of our students and staff are our highest priority at Berryhill Public Schools. We practice safety drills throughout the year to help our students know what to do in an emergency. The intent of these drills is to assure predictable response in the event of an actual emergency, identify problems and weaknesses in plans and procedures, and for staff and students to practice and experience what is expected of them during an emergency.**

**We would appreciate it if you would take a moment to talk to your children about the importance of school security drills and explain that security drills are used to practice their school's procedures for responding to various emergencies. Our school staff will meet with students and staff during the next week to openly communicate the importance of our safety drills and review our school district's procedures.**

**It is our hope that consistent training and practice will help everyone to recognize and respond to various security concerns. As always, our goal is the safety and security of all our students and staff! Thank you for your continued cooperation. Feel free to contact your child's principal if you have any questions or concerns regarding these drills.**

Sincerely,

**Mike Campbell  
Superintendent of Schools**