

Operational Services

**Exhibit - Notice to Parents/Guardians of Lockdown Drill; Opt-out**

*Distribute to parents/guardians in advance of any law enforcement lockdown drill addressing a school shooting incident that involves student participation, as required by 105 ILCS 128/20(c).*

Date:

Re: Law Enforcement Lockdown Drill

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

The School Safety Drill Act requires that within the first 90 days of every academic year, we conduct at least one law enforcement lockdown drill. This drill addresses a school shooting incident and evaluates the preparedness of school personnel and students for situations involving law enforcement when there is an active threat or an active shooter within a school building. Please be assured that the lockdown drill:

- Does not include any simulations that mimic an actual school shooting incident or active shooter event,
- Is announced in advance to all school personnel and students before it begins,
- Includes content that is age and developmentally appropriate,
- Includes and involves school personnel, including school-based mental health professionals,
- Includes trauma-informed approaches to address the concerns and well-being of school personnel, and
- Permits students to ask questions related to it.

This year's lockdown drill will take place on (insert date). If you do not want your child to participate in the lockdown drill, please complete the following **Opt-out Request** and return it to your child's classroom teacher by (insert date).

I request that the District opt-out my child from the law enforcement lockdown drill. I understand that my child will be provided with alternative safety education and instruction related to an active threat or active shooter event.

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Student (*please print*)

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Parent/Guardian (*please print*)

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Building Principal

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