

PEEKSKILL CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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To: All PCSD Parents / Guardians / Students

From: Gregory Sullivan, David Santiago Re: Emergency Response Exercises

Peekskill City School District, in compliance with Project SAVE (Safe Schools Against Violence in Education), will be conducting live exercises within the next few weeks to test our emergency readiness in each of our buildings. These exercises may take the form of Lock Down, Lock Out or Shelter in Place scenarios.

We are asking ALL members of the Peekskill community to take these live exercises seriously so that we may accurately test our level of readiness for emergency situations. The District's safety team, along with the Peekskill Police, Office of Emergency Management and BOCES, will assist and participate in conducting these exercises. They will provide valuable feedback and critical suggestions to support this safety and security initiative.

Please be advised that any student who refuses to participate in or fails to comply with all directives during these exercises will be subject to disciplinary penalties because failure to participate endangers the health and safety of all.

It is important to keep in mind that NO advance notice will be given regarding the date or time of these exercises in order to approximate real-life conditions. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact this office at your convenience.

Sincerely,