

Your Children During an Earthquake

Earthquakes or other types of disasters can be unsettling, especially if parents and children are separated. Fortunately here in Kitsap County, school districts have a well established emergency response program called K-PREP (Kitsap Practices Responsible Emergency Preparedness). This program has been the foundational training program for County school districts since the early 1990's. The emphasis was and is all-hazard planning with an earthquake being the primary disaster scenario.



To ensure the safety of the staff and students during an event, from a small emergency to a major disaster such as an earthquake, each Kitsap County school is prepared. Nine specially trained teams of school staff members are ready to be activated to ensure safety, supervise evacuation of buildings, provide first aid, and organize the release of students to identified parents or caregivers.



The nine school K-PREP teams are:

- Counseling Support Team
- Damage Assessment Team
- Fire and Utilities Team
- Incident Management Team
- Parent Student Reunion Team
- Student Staff Supervision Team
- Support and Security Team
- Disaster 1st Aid Team
- Search and Rescue Team



Be sure to have a home plan too!

- Have a 3-5 day supply kit.
- Assemble a car kit with food, prescription medication, extra clothes and water.
- Develop a plan to reunite with family members.
- Have an out of state emergency contact.



For full details visit : www.kitsapdem.org



Photos taken during a South Kitsap School District earthquake drill.