

## SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SHIOCTON

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## SCHOOL VIOLENCE DRILLS: Written Evaluation, Fall 2020

The annual **School Violence Drill** was held on November 23, 2020. We first drilled the Business as Usual Lock Down, beginning at 2:00PM. At 2:04PM, we shifted into the Armed Intruder Secure Lock Down drill. As the information in the intruder announcement indicated that the threat was somewhere outside of the building on campus, all classrooms practiced the Hide+response. During this response, the classroom doors are locked, lights are off, and the classroom door is barricaded with desks and other moveable furniture. Classroom doors were checked to ensure the doors are locked and barricaded, as well as that lights are off and no one is visible or can be heard. Approximately 120 staff members, including substitute teachers, and approximately 715 students, including those in the child care center, participated in the drills.

On August 24, 2020, staff across the district participate in a safety training during Back-to-School in-service days. Staff practiced two of three response actions: Hide+ and Flight. We discussed Fight as a last resort and mentally walked through what that would look like if needed, but did not conduct a physical practice, including take-downs and holds, due to COVID. All staff members reviewed the **Emergency Crisis Plan** (school safety plan) during this in-service training.

A reunification simulation for Grades ECH – Gr 5 (adults only), including the Shiocton Child Care Center staff, was conducted on October 15, 2020. Staff practiced the roles they would be assigned to in the event reunification was needed. Additional staff members portrayed parents, grandparents, and other adults seeking to pick up children. We included representatives of our Spanish speaking population so that our interpreters could get a feel for the situation, included scenarios where students were missing so that our counselors could gain experience on how to provide support or grief counseling during a potential tragedy, and even had a member of the Outagamie County Sheriff's Department join us at the evacuation site so that the simulation was as close to real as we could make it. A similar reunification simulation for Grades 6 – 12 will take place on December 10.

Due to the concerns regarding the spread of COVID-19, staff walked students through the evacuation procedure, including a visual representation of the path to each of the evacuation halls and where to report once in the hall. New staff were provided a walking tour to the evacuation hall, including a review of where their class would report in the event of an evacuation. Students new to the evacuation site were provided a walking tour of the same.

Respectfully Submitted,

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