

Emergency preparation

He said among the letters being sent to other violators

The council's next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 5.

Beyond just ducking and covering, teachers discuss other options for the students given their location in the school. Staff also has scenarios of how to guide students if they are outside in an earthquake.



Ricky McCulloch, a student in Terah April's second-grade class, tucks under his desk during The Great Shakeout, which the Wallawa School District participated in Thursday, Oct. 15, 2020. The drill, taken part in by many schools in Oregon, is one of several Wallawa will do this year in preparation for a variety of emergency situations.

Once the two minutes were up, students from both the elementary and high school evacuated

the building.

That, while seemingly simple, is a situation where students may need additional options, too.

"Drills used to be always done one way," Jones said. "Now we have to think about it and make sure that we think and we're logical. If every time there is a fire drill you always go out the same door ... well, what

if the fire was right there? You have to be able to look and move.”

The superintendent, who has been in education for more than three decades but is in her first year at Wallowa, often will throw a different wrinkle into the drill to help the preparations for other situations.

"I've been known to do that," she said.

The district will be doing that with other preparation scenarios, too, including the dangerous person, or lockdown, drill.

“(Teachers) have to figure out, ‘Do we avoid? Do we deny? Do we defend in a situation?’ It’s not always the best to lock down. Sometimes we have to flee,” Jones said. “We won’t practice that with kids, but staff needs to think about that. We’re going to be doing some scenario drills where I email a scenario to the teacher and they need to think through, ‘This time of day, with my kids in my class, what would I do?’ And really reflect.”

Going through the variety of scenarios will further ensure the ability of the students and staff to be prepared no matter what arises.

"In an emergency it's just important to have practiced those things to make sure we're ready, we're safe, and as adults our job in any kind of emergency situation is to remain calm and really reassure (students) they're safe, they're cared for, (and) not panicking," Jones said.

1. Thumb of folklore
2. WWII flag-raising site

3. Period of social change named for a hashtag
4. Jazz great James
5. Lorna _____
6. One taking pleasure in pain
7. Skunk's defense
8. Boy, in Barcelona
9. "For" vote
10. Highest, on a diploma
11. Squad that films a show
12. Bushy bloomer
13. Raining hard?
19. Cartoon shriek
21. Biblical peak
23. Scrooge's exclamation
25. In a bind?
27. "Blindspot" network
29. Deep anxiety
30. Dark or light bread
33. Surprised cry
35. Texter's "More than I care to know!"

37. Console modeled in a 2020
Lego set
38. “When They See Us” director
DuVernay
39. Invigorating force?
42. Maritime shipping channel
43. LGA baggage screeners
44. Change collector at a bar
45. Opposite of depart
46. Grew rapidly
48. Any of 11 pharaohs
51. ___ Appetit
52. 18 or 21, say
54. Permitted by law
57. Miso bowlful
58. Jason’s vessel
59. Ingrid’s “Casablanca” role
61. Check recipient?
63. What half the letters in
“twenty” spell

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