

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

This year we are once again implementing our Emergency Preparedness Program at S.D.U.M.P.S. We are following a program that was piloted at La Costa Heights Elementary School with great success. We are asking parents to supply personal use consumable items should a disaster require that the students remain at school for an extended period of time.

We request that you send the following items to school with your child on the first day of school. Please put the items in a one gallon ziploc bag and have it clearly identified with your child's name on a 3X5 card, readable from the outside of the bag. On the reverse of the paper should be the names of people authorized to pick up your child and signed by you as the parent or guardian. Also add contact phone numbers and any helpful medical information (physician, allergies, etc.). Be sure to add an out-of-state phone number to contact in case local phone lines are down.

New Suggested supplies:

(include items your child will eat with a shelf life of a year)

- 2 each 8 oz. or smaller- juices (canned only with pop tops)
or 8oz (small) water bottles
- 2 each 4 1/2 oz. cans of small fruit
- 2 each dried fruit or fruit snack packages
- 2 each peanut butter or cheese and cracker type snack pkgs
- 2 each granola bars
- 2 each individual moist towelettes
- 2 each individual tissue packs
- 1 plastic spoon
- a family picture and "I Love You" note to your child
- 1 mylar space blanket (can be purchased at Target or Sav-on, etc.)
- a small game or toy

Please check the expiration dates for the longest shelf-life. These items will be kept in your child's classroom and will be returned to you at the end of the school year. We do have limited storage space so please limit the items to those that will fit in the one gallon ziploc bag. We will be requesting these personal supplies from each child each year. The school has a general supply of bottled water, flashlights, hygiene and first aid items on hand in case of an emergency. The items in your bag will be your child's own personal "comfort" package in the event of a disaster.