

POST FALLS SCHOOL DISTRICT #273

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School Safety Plan - Communication for Parents

- 1. **Do not come to the school unless you are instructed to do so.** We realize how difficult it will be for you to keep your distance from the school, but it is crucial to keep the surrounding streets and parking lot clear for emergency vehicles. Parents' vehicles could hinder first responders and endanger more people.
- 2. The Post Falls School District has joined the School Messenger emergency notification system. The system allows the district to communicate via SMS text messages to parents regarding important matters such as a school lockdown, school closure (weather or otherwise) or other issues that affect students. To receive school notifications **you must opt-in** to school messenger. Follow the steps below to opt in:
 - Send a text message to 67587 with the word "subscribe" in the body of the text.
 - You will receive a confirmation text reply that you are Registered with School Messenger.
- 3. During an emergency, **do not telephone the school**. Phone lines need to be available for emergency communications. Further, school staff is unavailable to answer the phone during a lockdown and/or evacuation as they will be working to protect your children and themselves.
- 4. Instructions on where you should go for more information and where and when you will be able to pick up your child will be found on our **website**: www.pfsd.com
- 5. Most importantly, **emphasize to your children** if they see or hear something of concern related to school safety, they should immediately tell an adult.

We are proud that Post Falls School District partners with the Post Falls Police Department to provide a safe learning environment for our students. We appreciate your continued cooperation and support. If you have any questions about our school safety procedures, please contact your school principal.