EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS Lecture

1. Prior to the first day of class, obtain a copy of the building emergency plan for each building in which you will be teaching. Note the evacuation route and assembly area, as well as the shelter in place locations.

2. On the first day of class, the following information is required to be presented to students:

As we begin this semester I want to take a few minutes and discuss emergency preparedness. Purdue University is a very safe campus and there is a low probability that a serious incident will occur here at Purdue. However, just as we receive a “safety briefing” each time we get on an aircraft, we want to emphasize our emergency procedures for evacuation and shelter in place incidents. Our preparedness will be critical IF an unexpected event occurs!

Emergency preparedness is your personal responsibility. Purdue University is actively preparing for natural disasters or human-caused incidents with the ultimate goal of maintaining a safe and secure campus. Let’s review the following procedures:

- For any emergency call or text 911.

- Blue Light Emergency Telephone Systems throughout campus that connect directly to campus public safety responders. If you feel threatened, need help, or any emergency push the button.

- If we hear a fire alarm we will immediately evacuate the building and proceed to__________________________ (location).
  - Do not use the elevator.
  - Go over evacuation route...see specific Building Emergency Plan.

- If we are notified of a Shelter in Place requirement for a tornado warning we will shelter in the lowest level of this building away from windows and doors. Our preferred location is ________________.

- If we are notified of a Shelter in Place requirement for an active threat such as a shooting we will shelter in a room that is securable preferably without windows. Our preferred location is ________.

- If we are notified of a Shelter in Place requirement for a hazardous materials release we will shelter in our classroom shutting any open doors and windows.

(Note: Each Purdue West Lafayette / Indianapolis building will have different evacuation & shelter locations. The specific Building Emergency Plan will provide specific locations and procedures). See http://www.purdue.edu/ehps/emergency_preparedness/emergency/building-plan.html

Attached to the syllabus is an “Emergency Preparedness for Classrooms” sheet that provides additional preparedness information. Please review the sheet and the Emergency Preparedness website for additional emergency preparedness information.
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS for Classrooms

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES are based on a simple concept – if you hear a fire alarm inside, proceed outside. If you hear a siren outside, proceed inside.

- **Indoor Fire Alarms** mean to stop class or research and **immediately evacuate** the building.
  - Proceed to your Emergency Assembly Area away from building doors. **Remain outside** until police, fire, or other emergency response personnel provide additional guidance or tell you it is safe to leave.

- **All Hazards Outdoor Emergency Warning Sirens** mean to **immediately seek shelter** (**Shelter in Place**) in a safe location within the closest building.
  - “Shelter in place” means seeking immediate shelter inside a building or University residence. This course of action may need to be taken during a tornado, an active threat such as a shooting or release of hazardous materials in the outside air. Once safely inside, find out more details about the emergency*. **Remain in place** until police, fire, or other emergency response personnel provide additional guidance or tell you it is safe to leave.

*In both cases, you should seek additional clarifying information by all means possible...Campus Emergency Status page, text message, email alert, TV, radio, etc...review the Purdue Emergency Warning Notification System multi-communication layers at [http://www.purdue.edu/ehps/emergency_preparedness/warning-system.html](http://www.purdue.edu/ehps/emergency_preparedness/warning-system.html)

EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROCEDURES:

- Review the **Emergency Procedures Guidelines** [https://www.purdue.edu/emergency_preparedness/flipchart/index.html](https://www.purdue.edu/emergency_preparedness/flipchart/index.html)
- Review the **Building Emergency Plan** (available on the Emergency Preparedness website or from the building deputy) for:
  - evacuation routes, exit points, and emergency assembly area
  - when and how to evacuate the building.
  - shelter in place procedures and locations
  - additional building specific procedures and requirements.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AWARENESS VIDEO

- **"Run. Hide. Fight."** is a 6-minute active shooter awareness video that illustrates what to look for and how to prepare and react to this type of incident. See: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5mzl_5aj4Vs](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5mzl_5aj4Vs)

MORE INFORMATION

Reference the Emergency Preparedness web site for additional information: [http://www.purdue.edu/ehps/emergency_preparedness](http://www.purdue.edu/ehps/emergency_preparedness)