

TORNADO DRILL

It is important to act quickly and calmly if there is a tornado warning. Tornado drills are announced on the intercom. Usually the weather service first announces a "Tornado Watch," which means conditions are favorable for tornado. If it becomes likely a tornado will occur in the area a "Tornado Warning" is announced. When we are advised of "Tornado Warning" status, teachers are to take students to tornado stations. Please observe the following guidelines when we are conducting a tornado drill.

If "**Tornado Watch**" status is announced, teachers should review tornado drill procedures with students.

If "**Tornado Warning**" status is announced, teachers should move students to tornado drill stations.

Teachers in mobile units should move their students to the nearest hallway of the main building.

If you are inside the building, do not go outside.

If you are outside of the building, come inside the building immediately.

The students are to occupy areas that are structurally sound and free from windows and other glass. Never use gymnasiums, auditoriums, or other rooms with wide, free-span roofs.

If caught in the classroom, students should get under chairs, desks, or anything that will protect them from falling debris.

If enough prior warning is given, students should occupy tornado drill stations located in the hallways.