

September 22, 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Providing a safe, secure learning environment for your child(ren) is one of our highest priorities. This is why the district has implemented the use of ALiCE (i.e. Alert, Lockdown, inform, Counter and Evacuate). Security experts across the country believe, as do we, that the use of these additional procedures will enhance student and staff safety.

All KUSD staff members took part in ALiCE training beginning in the spring of 2016. They have been taught how to initiate ALiCE procedures if there is a threat to student/staff safety, such as a violent intruder. In addition, each classroom is equipped with an ALiCE kit to assist in securing classroom doors and reducing the likelihood of an intruder entering rooms by force. After this training, all KUSD schools held their own lockdown drills utilizing the ALiCE procedures during the spring of 2017.

Our staff has been trained to understand that ALiCE is not a step-by-step response, but rather a set of options to utilize in the event of an intruder. The following is a brief overview of what ALiCE is and what students and staff are taught:

If an intruder enters the building, students and staff should:

- Stop, look, listen and take appropriate action.
- Get to and/or remain in a secure area and barricade until it is safe to evacuate.
- Use sensory information to determine when and if it is safe to evacuate.
- Distract the intruder if it becomes necessary to do so.
- Do not be a stationary target.

NOTE: In NO WAY are students or staff being taught or asked to make any attempt to subdue an intruder.

Parents/guardians new to KUSD and those who may not have been able to attend ALiCE informational meetings last year will have the opportunity to learn more about ALiCE this year. There will be presentations at various schools. A flyer will be available to all families which will include the date and time of the presentations. This presentation is geared more for adults than children, so please make arrangements for child care. In some cases, child care may be provided for you during the presentation. Please watch for the flyer to come home with more information regarding the presentations dates and times.

You may attend one of the presentations that fit's best with your schedule. If you are unable to attend any of the presentations, schools will have ALiCE reviews during parent meetings. During that time ALiCE lesson plans will be viewable.

If you have any questions regarding ALiCE presentations, please call the main office at 262-359-8100.

Sincerely,
Terri Huck, principal
Mahone Middle School

ALiCE Parent Presentation Sites Including Dates and Times		
SCHOOL	DATE	TIME
Somers Elementary	Thursday, October 5, 2017	5pm
Grant Elementary	Wednesday, October 11, 2017	5pm
Curtis Strange Elementary	Wednesday, October 18, 2017	5pm