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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Bristol Public Schools' top priority is the safety and well-being of all students and staff. Our district emergency preparedness plans are consistently reviewed and updated to provide continuity throughout our schools. The pamphlet attached explains and outlines the district-wide reunification plan we will use in the event of an emergency. Circumstances may occur at a school that requires parents to pick up students in a formalized, controlled release. The process of controlled release is called "Reunification".

Please review the information in this pamphlet to make sure you are familiar with our reunification procedures, as you play an invaluable role in our preparing your child for such emergencies. The most helpful parental responses to a school emergency are to:

- Remain calm, follow procedures, and cooperate with school and public safety officials;
- Remain close to the phone listed as your emergency contact number;
- Tune in to local television or radio stations designated to carry BPS emergency information:

WFSB-TV

WTNH-TV

WDRC - Radio

WVIT-TV

WTIC-FOX

WTIC-Radio

or go to the BOE website: www.bristolk12.ct.us, school websites, or follow official school social media sites.

Every school has pre-established plans of action, evacuation sites, and family reunification plans. Parents will be informed as soon as we have done everything we can to ensure the safety of all students and when it becomes possible to provide accurate and helpful information.

The family reunification system was developed to ensure the safety and accountability of students. Thank you for your continued support and partnership.

Sincerely.

Catherine M. Carbone, Superintendent

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