



SCHOOL DISTRICT OF TURTLE LAKE

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belongs, learns and succeeds."*

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School Evacuation Drill 10-8-25 2:01 PM

Team Members: Jason Hinze, Troy Wagner, Rob Schmitt, Kent Kindschy, Turtle Lake Police Department Derek Posey, and SRO Cory Knudson.

Predrill: Grades PK-4 discussed strangers and evacuation with Mr. Wagner. Grades 5-12 viewed a presentation on evacuation techniques and safety procedures given by Officer Knudson. All parents were emailed about the drill day and time. Staff had meetings with the principals to discuss the procedures.

All Call: "Can I have your attention for an announcement? We are having a safety evacuation drill. I repeat, this is only a drill. We will conduct the drill as if there is an intruder in the IMC. Please evacuate the building now."

Drill: The drill was conducted as if there was an intruder in the IMC, and students evacuated out of the opposite ends of the building. The intercom was used to alert staff and students of the drill and intruder location. The entire building was evacuated in 1 minute and 32 seconds.

2:01 – Evacuation signal read over the intercom

2:02:32 – All students and staff out of the building

2:08 – Bus garage – all students accounted

2:10 – Police station – all students accounted

Post Meeting: A meeting with the school administration and law enforcement took place after the drill.

Communication was great during the drill. Students moved quickly and in the designated areas. The students and staff did an excellent job of evacuating and getting to the safe zones where attendance was taken. All students were accounted for within nine minutes of the drill starting.

Areas to Improve:

- There is a door with a code on the back of the police station that can be used to save time instead of getting a key from the Village office.
- Both rendezvous points should wait for the "all clear" before coming back to the school.
- Train new staff with evacuation techniques before the evacuation.

School Board President – Bill Muench

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