



# SCHOOL EMERGENCIES

## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Working Together to Put Student Success and Safety First.



The Sherman County School District works in a collaborative alliance with the Sherman County Sheriff's Office for the prevention and protection against potential or real threats to ensure the safety of every student and staff member.

### THE TWO MOST COMMON TERMS USED IN AN EMERGENCY ARE:



LOCKOUT

In a **Lockout**, the campus is closed so that no one new can enter the school. Instruction continues as normal. A Lockout is put into place in situations such as police activity in the vicinity of the school.



LOCKDOWN

In a **Lockdown**, the campus is closed, and movement throughout the school is restricted. A Lockdown is put into place when there is a possibility that someone or something harmful could be on campus.

### COMMUNICATION SCHOOLMESSENGER®

During an emergency, administrators will communicate with parents and guardians via School Messenger, our automated calling service that takes only minutes to send a message to every parent and guardian with student(s) in the school. If you change your telephone number, it is very important that you notify the school to update this system.

Sherman County School District has a carefully planned emergency evacuation and reunification plan ready for use if ever needed.



SAFEOREGON

Sherman County School is signed up with the SafeOregon tip hotline program that was created for Oregon students, parents, school staff, community members, and law enforcement officers to report and respond to student safety threats without the fear of retaliation. Anyone with knowledge of a potential threat is encouraged to contact SafeOregon via any of the following methods:

Website: [www.safeoregon.com](http://www.safeoregon.com) | email: [tip@safeoregon.com](mailto:tip@safeoregon.com) | Call or Text: 844-472-3367

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

In the event of an emergency, we ask parents and guardians to **please stay away from the school** unless instructed to come.

Additional people onsite during an emergency makes it more difficult for law enforcement to assess situations and find potential threats.

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