

EARTHQUAKE PREPAREDNESS

Meyerholz has an earthquake plan in place, and the Meyerholz staff is prepared to care for your child in the event of an earthquake or other disaster. As part of that plan, we need to have food on hand to meet the needs of students as they wait for parents to pick them up. We also need to have easy identification of students and their medical needs. Your assistance is crucial in helping us to be prepared for an emergency.

We would like each child to have his/her own **earthquake kit** to be kept in the classroom. You can make your child's kit by using a one-gallon Ziploc bag. Fill the bag with at least one juice box or water bottle. Also include packaged food items your child likes such as granola bar, fruit roll, raisins, cookies, small cans of fruit with an easy open top, spoon if needed, etc. You may also wish to include a reassuring note to your child in his/her kit.

Please fill out the enclosed **emergency information form**. This form is folded and placed in a plastic sleeve and stored in the emergency backpack in your child's classroom. In the event of an earthquake or other disaster, the plastic sleeve will be placed around your child's neck. Inside this sleeve we will also enclose a current copy of the health enrollment form from the office so that we have updated phone numbers etc. Whenever you update that form in the office, we will put a new copy in the emergency backpack. Please include a small picture - this is very important in helping with identification. An out-of-state contact (if you have one) will be helpful if local phone lines are down. **Do not put the emergency form in the food bag.**

Please write your child's name and room number with a permanent marker on the front of the Ziploc bag and return the **food kit and emergency form** to his/her classroom teacher by **Monday, August 23rd**. If you have any questions please call Debbi Tuck at (408) 252-7240 ext. 150. Thank you for your prompt attention to this important task!

Sincerely,

Debbi Tuck
SIP Coordinator/Earthquake Preparedness