## **New Heights Safety Plan**

## **Overview for Parents**

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New Heights charter School has a School Emergency Response Plan to protect the safety and welfare of the employees, visitors, volunteers, and students in the New Heights Charter School, and to ensure the preservation of public property.

The scope encompasses New Heights Charter School's Lower Campus as the Upper Campus follows the KING ES Safety Plan. The Lower Campus plan addresses a broad range of major emergencies; such events include crimes committed on campus, hazardous materials emergencies, weather emergencies, and fire. Also included are procedures for emergencies that may or may not require the full or partial activation of the School Emergency Response Team (SERT).

The objectives of the plan are to:

- Protect the safety and welfare of students, employees and staff.
- Provide for a safe and coordinated response to emergencies.
- Protect the School's facilities and properties.
- Enable the School to restore normal conditions with minimal confusion in the shortest time possible.
- Provide for interface and coordination between the school and the City and/or County Emergency Operation Center (EOC) in Los Angeles, California.

School administrators have the responsibility to ensure the safety of their students and staff in an emergency. Law requires developing emergency plans and training staff in all-hazards emergency response procedures. New Heights Charter School conducts drills and exercises in order to practice using the system. Periodic training will be available to help orient new employees and provide refresher training to current employees on an annual basis.

New Heights Charter School follows guidance from the LA County Department of Health and the CA Department of Education to ensure the health of students and families, especially regarding community health risks, such as COVID-19.

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