



METUCHEN HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Metuchen High School Families,

This morning, Metuchen High School conducted a Lockdown Drill. The purpose of this specific drill is to prepare staff and students for emergencies in which it may be necessary to secure all spaces within the school.

During the lockdown drill, the building was secured and we practiced how to safely shelter all students and staff inside the building. The purpose of this drill was to ensure that we can keep the students and staff safe from any danger outside or inside the building. During the lockdown drill, all of the exterior doors (classroom and building) were checked to ensure appropriate locking mechanisms. To enable everyone to remain safe, no one was allowed to enter or leave the building until the drill was completed.

Knowing how to best implement a lockdown drill is very important to us. If we do not practice these procedures, we put ourselves at a disadvantage if there was an actual emergency. While we hope that we will never have an actual emergency, we will continue to practice safety drills such as lockdowns. We want to ensure that our students and staff are prepared and that their muscle memory can be quickly activated in case of the need to implement a lockdown.

The MHS Emergency Response Team will meet in the near future to debrief about today's drill and the lessons learned to assist us in improving our practices.

Thank you for your continued support and collaboration, as we all have the same goal – the safety of our children and staff.

Sincerely,

Edward C. Porowski
Principal