



Dear Parent or Guardian,

Cherokee County School District has a comprehensive safety plan that addresses a variety of safety measures. Our safety team works hand-in-hand with the Cherokee County Sheriff's Office, Gaffney Police, Blacksburg Police, all Cherokee County Fire Departments, as well as the Cherokee County Emergency Management Department.

Our school district is expanding the safety program to include the Standard Response Protocol (SRP). The SRP is based on these four actions: Lockout, Lockdown, Evacuate, and Shelter. More information on these four actions can be found on the handout attached.

In the event of an emergency, your child may not be dismissed at their scheduled dismissal time until the threat or emergency is under control. Our number one priority is to keep our students and staff safe, which could mean keeping students later in the day due to unforeseen circumstances.

Our goal is to provide a safe and secure environment for our students and staff through a proactive approach including training, developing safety plans, and establishing positive relationships with local first responders. In order to educate our students so they can compete in a global economy and make a positive contribution to our community, we must first ensure they are safe in their school environments.

Thank you for your support in keeping our students safe.