



Alerts should be clear, concise, and easy to understand in a high-stress situation. Avoid coded alerts and use straightforward language as defined below.

FIRE

Smoke, fire, or suspected fire. WHAT TO DO:

- Pull the fire alarm and call 911.
- Evacuate the area and move to your rally point.
- Close doors behind you, unlocking them if time permits.
- Take attendance immediately at the rally point.

LOCKDOWN/BARRICADE

An act or threat of violence in the building. WHAT TO DO:

- > Ensure the door is locked.
- Barricade the door with furniture.
- Move to the designated safer corner, away from doors and windows and out of the fatal funnel.
- Turn off lights and close window blinds.
- Silence all cell phones.
- Prepare to fight back if the room is breached.
- Do not leave the room until the all clear is given.

SECURE BUILDING

An act or threat of violence near the building WHAT TO DO:

- > Ensure the door is locked.
- Close window blinds.
- > Listen for further instructions.
- > Continue work/class instruction.
- Do not leave the room until the all clear is given

SHELTER IN PLACE

In a severe weather or hazmat event. WHAT TO DO:

- > In a hazmat event, seal off the room, turn off the HVAC, and close windows and doors.
- > In a severe weather event, move away from the windows and stay indoors.

Rally point - The initial location building occupants are moved to for safety, at least 300 feet from the building. Safer corner - An area in the room where occupants are not visible through doors or windows. Fatal funnel - The area within the doorway where most fatalities occur during an active threat situation.

