



# Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit #21

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

At Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit #21, we are proud to serve the 14 school districts and students in Carbon and Lehigh counties and we continually strive to provide a safe and secure learning environment for all students and staff in our schools.

In order to maintain a safe environment for your children to study and learn, it is necessary that we practice our emergency and crisis response plans by conducting drills that exercise our procedures to better prepare staff and students.

We conduct various emergency drills each month. Depending on the specific threat, there are a few basic response drills that we will be practicing throughout the school year – Lockdown, Shelter-In-Place, and Evacuation.

In accordance with recent state legislation, we will be conducting an intruder/active shooter drill with all students and staff members. This is scheduled to take place by December 1<sup>st</sup>. We are not releasing the exact date for security reasons. The goal of this exercise will be to practice our emergency management ALICE procedures with students present. ALICE is an acronym that stands for Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter and Evacuate. ALICE is active shooter response training which the CLIU has adopted for such emergency situations.

Over the past two years, staff members have been training and practicing ALICE techniques to better prepare themselves in the event of an actual situation. Now students at our education centers will be included on how to respond and follow direction from staff in the event an intruder would enter one of our school buildings

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact our Safety and Security Coordinator, Ronda Andrulevich at 610-769-4111 x1074.

Regards,

Ronda Andrulevich  
CLIU #21 Safety and Security Coordinator

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