

## **Safety Drills – Pre-Drill Teacher Script**

### **Pre-K to 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade**

**Teacher:** Safety is very important at our school. We have rules at school that help us to be safe. What are some rules that keep us safe at school?

**Possible Student Responses:** No running in the hallways; No hitting others, etc.

**Teacher:** Very good. We also have rules that help keep us safe during emergencies, like during fires, and during storms. If there were to be a fire in the building, or a tornado in the area, you would need to know what to do. So we practice what to do and we call the practice “Drills”. For example, a Fire Drill is when we practice what to do during a fire. A Tornado Drill is when we practice what to do during a tornado. What happens when you practice something over and over?

**Possible Student Responses:** You get better at it.

**Teacher:** That’s right. We practice our fire drills and tornado drills so that we get better at them each time. It is unlikely that there will be a fire at school, or a tornado nearby, but we want you to be prepared.

What are some things that you should do during the drill so that others around you can hear and so that you know what to do?

**Possible Student Responses:** Be quiet, listen, follow directions (*examples that NEED to be pointed out: listen, follow directions, voices off, pay attention*).

**Teacher:** Why do you think we ask you to be so quiet during a drill?

**Possible Student Responses:** It allows the teacher to get important information; it helps the teacher concentrate; it makes it easier to listen to the teacher’s directions.

**Teacher:** Why do you think it’s so important to listen during drills?

**Possible student responses:** We will hear the directions; we will know what to do or where to go

**Teacher:** Why do you think it’s so important to follow directions during a drill?

**Possible student responses:** So that everyone knows what to do to stay as safe as possible

**Teacher:** Excellent! It sounds like we all know how to behave when practicing any type of safety drill.