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## Principal's Message

On behalf of Langley Secondary, we welcome you to our school production of "Mean Girls." Inspired by the book Queenbees and Wannabes, the musical focuses on a teenage girl managing female high school social cliques and bullying. Staff and students have been working hard throughout this year dedicating late nights to their craft to showcase their talents. With over 50 students working on and off stage, community players in the pit band and cast members ranging from grade 6 – 12, this is truly a community effort. A special thank you to Mr. Patrick McMath (Artistic Director), Mrs. Patti Thorpe (Music Director), Ms Elizabeth Aguasin (Choreographer), Mr. Myles Nield (Technical Director), Mr. Ian Lopez (Sound Director) our performers, stage crew, and pit band, for their tireless efforts to bringing Mean Girls to life. We hope you enjoy the show!

## **Upcoming Events**

March 13 & 14 – Parent Teacher Interviews

March 13 & 14 – Early dismissal

March 6 – PLC Day

March 18 – 28 – Spring Break

March 29 – Good Friday (school is closed)

March 31 – Easter Monday (school is closed)

Diane Smillie, Principal





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## Second Semester – Interim Reporting Week March 4 – 8

Monday March 4 to Friday March 8 is our second semester learning update week. The expectation at Langley Secondary is that all teachers will be communicating to parents the current progress of all their students in Semester 2 classes at some point during the week. Please note that teachers of linear classes are NOT required to provide an interim as linear classes were just reported on in the second formal report card.

Please note that this learning update period is an informal reporting period; therefore, individual teachers will be communicating student progress to parents in a variety of ways. Due to current privacy concerns, teachers are not able to email progress reports home to parents. This means that all interim reports will be provided through the following ways:

- Printed progress reports in class
- Student self-assessments or feedback forms in class
- Updated progress reports on a teacher's website or MyEDBC
- Phone calls home to parents

Please be aware that the current progress of students is only based on a few weeks of learning and classroom work. Therefore, the information teachers provide next week is only a very small snapshot of a student's learning. Also, as a school, we are working on using assessment practices that focus on providing students with effective feedback, not marks or grades, to help them improve their learning. Therefore, at this interim period, some teachers will not be providing a letter grade, as they will not have collected enough assessment data to provide an accurate letter grade at this time.





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## Parent Teacher Interviews - March 13 & 14

Early dismissal (1:55 pm) on March 13 & 14 for Parent Teacher Interviews

The second set of Parent-Teacher Interviews will take place on Wednesday, March 13 from 2:00pm to 7:30pm and Thursday, March 14 from 2:00pm – 4:30pm. Parents will be able to make appointments using our online booking system **starting on Wednesday, March 6 at 9:00am** and can book appointments up until midnight on Monday, March 11. To set up an account and book your appointments, please go to School Appointments <a href="https://lss.schoolappointments.com/?action=login-form">https://lss.schoolappointments.com/?action=login-form</a>

Parent Teacher Interviews are a fantastic opportunity for parents/guardians to speak directly with your student's teachers around learning, progress, and achievement. It is a time for LSS staff and parents to connect, celebrate our student's successes, and acknowledge the challenges that may lie ahead.

If these times do not work for you, please connect with your teacher(s) to set up a separate day/time that works for both of you.

PTI Bell Schedule	
Welcome	8:40
Period 1	8:45 – 9:50
Period 2	9:55 – 11:00
Lunch	11:00 – 11:35
Period 3	11:40 – 12:45
Period 4	12:50 – 1:55





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# Theatre Mean Girls Production Tickets available

Mean Girls opened Thursday, February 29! Tickets are on sale for this weekend, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> as well as the matinee on the 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2pm. Also next weekend! March 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, at 7pm, and March 9<sup>th</sup> Matinee at 2pm. If you are interested in purchasing tickets, please click on the link below to purchase tickets.

https://sd35.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/56214/111/False/True

Tickets can also be booked by emailing:

<u>Issmeangirls@gmail.com</u> if the preference is to pay cash at the door.

Check out the ad in the newspaper:

https://www.langleyadvance times.com/localnews/langley-studentspresent-mean-girls-themusical-7321934

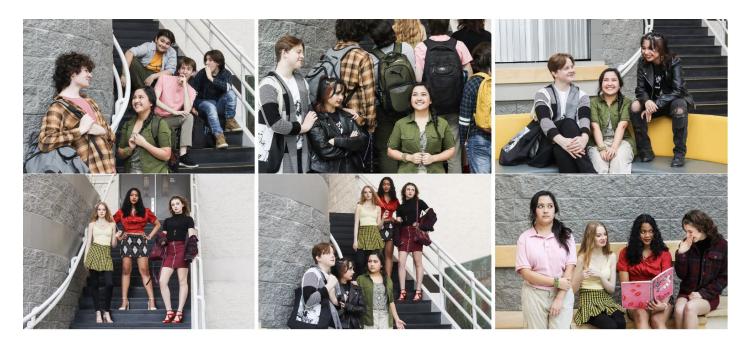






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## **Introducing a few of the Mean Girl players!**







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## A Season of Theatre 2024

The new year brings us another fabulous year of musical and theatrical productions across the District featuring Langley's students. Please support the Arts in Langley schools as well as the incredible work of our Drama and Musical Theatre teachers by attending one or all of the shows that will be happening over the next few months. Please see the poster at the link below for show dates and visit each individual school website for exact show times and details on how to purchase tickets.







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## The Mane Event

Save the date for **The Mane** Event on Sunday, May 26, 12:30 pm hosted at Thunderbird Show Park. The Mane Event promises an enjoyable afternoon featuring wine tastings from acclaimed wineries, delectable tapas and canapés, a welcoming glass of Champagne, and an enticing silent auction. Attendees will have VIP access to watch world-class show jumping with top-notch riders. Indulge in the rich flavors of Langley and treat yourself to mouthwatering desserts while immersing in this delightful experience. To secure your tickets please

visit https://lsdf.org/maneevent/

The Foundation has set aside 50 discounted tickets for SD#35 employees. Use the coupon code SD35 at checkout to receive 20% off regular priced tickets or tables of 6 or 8.







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#### **Grad News**

#### Grad Class of 2024 hoodies!!!

The deadline has passed to order grad hoodies. Keep your eyes open for their arrival in early April!

#### **PARENTS OF GRADS!!!**

We need your help with getting the graduates to complete their yearbook writeups and submit their baby photos. Students were provided the link below with little response and they may regret this in the future. Mr. Tesan writes....... "This is an excellent time to reflect on your high school experience, give shout outs to your friends and loved ones (or anyone else who helped you along the way), share fond memories and preserve a small snapshot of your present self for all of time. If you have any questions, concerns or issues, please feel free to reach out to Mr. Tesan at ttesan@sd35.bc.ca. "

Once again, you can submit your comment and baby photo by clicking here: https://forms.office.com/r/c8V9DeFyjR

Hello All,

The Purdy's fundraising for LSS Dry Grad has been set up. The program gives 25% of the profit back to the Dry Grad! The Easter order **deadline will be March 4, 2024**, with a pick-up date on March 22, 2024.

Please use the link below, click join a campaign and start shopping! https://fundraising.purdys.com/1921687-115068

Share the link with family and friends!

Thank you,

LSS Dry Grad Committee





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## **Athletics – Soccer Academy Spring 2024**



LSS Soccer Academy 2024 with guest coaches from Paris-Saint Germain, France.

Merch: Hoodies have been ordered and will arrive in the next two weeks; pictures are on the following page with the designs! We will have black, light grey, dark grey, and white base options. Price is to be determined so wait for an update! Hats are now available at the store for \$20. We still have plenty of the \$10 special t-shirts left, so buy yours next week!







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Spring Sport season has arrived with many options and many students signing up to participate. Please see below

the options for sports and clubs.

## LSS SPORTS!

#### **FALL TEAMS:**



- Girls Volleyball
   Jr/Sr:
   (Mr. Dave Macleod,
   Ms. Myette)
- Cross Country
   Running:
   (Ms. Pagnanini, Mr.
   Nicol)
- Boys Soccer Jr/Sr:
   (Mr. Labine, Mr.
  Tesan)
- Football: (Mr. Kardos, Mr. Macleod, Mr. Wyse)

## WINTER TEAMS:



#### Basketball:

- Jr./Sr. Girls:
- Sr. Boys: (Mr. Sheppard)
  - Jr. Boys:
- Jr. Girls
- Boys Curling
- Girls Curling

#### **SPRING TEAMS:**



- Ultimate Frisbee: (Mr. Sheppard)
- Track and Field: (Ms. Pagnanini, Mr. Nicol)
- Rugby: (Girls: Mr. Van Meer) (Boys: Mr. Paul, Ms. Rand)
- Golf: (Mr. Heath)
- Ice Hockey & Ball Hockey: (Mr. Bannister)
- Girls Soccer Jr/Sr:
   (Mr. Labine, Mr.
  Tesan)
- Badminton: (Mr. Oh)

## LSS CLUBS!

Environmental Club: Wednesday at Lunch - Room 203 (Ms. Pagnanini)

Gender and Sexuality Alliance Club: Tuesdays at Lunch - Room A112 (Ms. Lee)

3D Printing Club: Thursdays at Lunch - Room A132 (Mr. Rasmussen)

Dungeons and Dragons: Mondays after school - Room 202 (Mr. Nicol)

Dance Club: Monday/Wednesday 3:00-4:00 in the Dance Studio A78 (Ms. Lidemark)

K-Pop Fan Club: Lunch on Fridays in Portable 7 (Student Led)

Diversity Club: To be announced. (Mr. Sanchez)

Golf Club: Spring start date to be determined. (Ms. Rand)

Volleyball Club: Spring start date to be determined. (Mr. McMath)

Homework Club: Tuesdays & Thursdays after school Room A109

MORE CLUBS TO BE ANNOUNCED LATER IN THE YEAR!





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## **AWARDS**

The four Rotary Clubs of Langley are proud to announce the ninth annual SASSY Awards Langley. In the previous eight years, SASSY is proud to have awarded just over \$100,000.00 to Langley youth. SASSY stands for "Service Above Self" Student Youth. Incorporating Rotary's guiding motto, the awards aim to recognize and celebrate the **leadership achievements of Langley youth** who exemplify the ideals of Rotary by making a positive impact in our Langley communities. Nominations are now being accepted in seven categories for youth aged 15 to 21 living in, and/or who have made a significant impact in leadership roles within the Township or City of Langley. The awards will be presented as part of the awards show on Thursday, May 9, 2024 at the Chief Sepass Theatre, located in the Langley Fine Arts School. An applicant must also be available, if chosen for the top three in one of the seven categories, for interviews on Saturday morning, April 6th, 2024. You must be available and attend both the April 6th Judging and the May 9th Awards Show to be eligible to receive a cash and recognition award. Please put these dates on your calendar.

Each Category Award Winner (one in each of the seven categories) will receive \$1,000 Cash Award. Each of the two runners up in the seven categories will receive a \$500.00 cash award. More information is available at: www.sassyawardslangley.ca

Email nominations must be received no later than **Friday, March 15th, 2024 (11:59PM).** Mailed nominations must be postmarked no later than **Friday, March 8th, 2024.** There is no flexibility to these deadlines. Forms can be either emailed to <a href="mailed:nominations@sassyawardslangley.ca">nominations@sassyawardslangley.ca</a> Or mailed to: 2024 SASSY Awards Langley c/o Rotary Club of Aldergrove PO Box 1602 Aldergrove, BC V4W 2V1







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Scholarship deadlines are fast approaching March 8 and 15th!

Grade 12s should check the counselling teams page and pick up applications in the counselling center!







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## **Career News**

AVID program applications for next year are open and due to Ms. Wood ASAP in the counselling center. Interviews will be scheduled prior to Spring break!

Youth Train in Trades Information Sessions will run from 6:30 - 8:00pm at the respective schools. These information nights are intended for parents and students to attend. Register now

Automotive Service Technician - March 4<sup>th</sup> @ Aldergrove Community Secondary

**Carpentry** - March 4<sup>th</sup> @ Aldergrove Community Secondary **Hairstylist** - March 4<sup>th</sup> @ Aldergrove Community Secondary

## **Budget Consultation 2024-2025**

Want to have your say on the District's budget for 2024-2025? The Langley School District is inviting students, staff, parents/guardians, and all members of the public to take part in its Budget Consultation 2024-2025 by completing this 5-minute survey <a href="mailto:here">here</a> or providing feedback by email to <a href="mailto:hudgetconsultation@sd35.bc.ca">hudgetconsultation@sd35.bc.ca</a>. All survey and email submissions will be accepted until March 31, 2024.

The data gathered will help provide our District Leadership staff and Board of Education with information needed to make decisions impacting education. The District is sharing videos and an infographic located on our webpage which may be helpful to you. For more information as well as translated versions of the survey, please visit our District webpage <a href="here">here</a>.

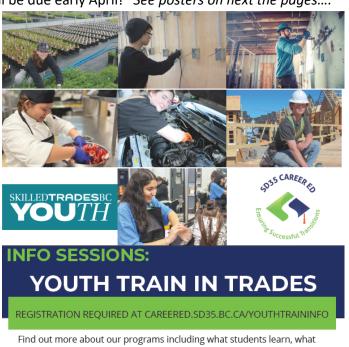




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You can NOW apply for the Youth Train in Trades and Academic Dual Credit Programs. Check out the SD35 Career Ed website for more information on the specific programs offered and register to attend one of the information sessions. Students interested in the Youth Train in Trades and Academic Dual Credit programs are encouraged to make an appointment with Ms. Stuive to go over program requirements and application documents. You can book an appointment here. Applications will be due early April! See posters on next the pages....



Find out more about our programs including what students learn, what it takes to get in and how to do well! Program instructors will be available to answer questions. All info sessions run from 6:30pm-8:00pm. *Students and parents welcome!* 

Landscape Horticulture (virtual) - Feb 15 Electrical at DWP - Feb 22 Piping/Plumbing at LSS - Feb 27 Professional Cook 1 at WGSS - Feb 29 Auto, Carpentry & Hairstylist at ACSS - March 4



REGISTRATION REQUIRED AT: CAREERED.SD35.BC.CA/YOUTHTRAININFO







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## YOUTH TRAIN IN TRADES

#### APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN!

Applications are open for our Youth Train in Trades programs!
Train to become an Automotive Service Technician, Carpenter,
Electrician, Hairstylist, Landscape Horticulturalist, Professional Cook
or Pipefitter/Plumber - tuition-free!

#### Apps Due April 5 for:

Electrical and Landscape Horticulture

#### Apps Due April 19 for:

Auto, Carpentry, Hairstylist, Professional Cook 1 and Piping/Plumbing







See your Career Advisor for more info & an application!





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Become a Langley Learning Farm Volunteer!

Learn about growing food, be part of a team and build your resume experience! Open to students in grade 10-12 looking to complete the Work and Volunteer Experience 12 course.

Be involved in preparing soil, planting seeds, caring for, watering and harvesting as well as participate in tasks such as removing invasive species, tree trimming, etc.

Learn about the local climate and sustainable growing practices from Amanda, the Langley Environmental Protection Society agriculturalist.

Where: Derek Doubleday Arboretum, across the street from LSS

When: Spring Break & Mondays/Tuesdays in April-June

March 18-23, 25-28 9am-2:30pm (the 23rd is the LEPS Community Seed Event)

Mondays OR Tuesdays 3-4pm, April 8- June 18th

## LSS Open/School based Scholarships & LSS District Authority Awards

On February 5 there was a scholarship assembly held during REP. For students who could not attend the assembly, the presentation and QR codes for applications have been uploaded on the Grade 12 Counselling Team under the Scholarships channel. The **deadline** is **Friday**, **March** 8<sup>th</sup>.

There are MANY scholarships LSS has to offer, so please encourage all students who meet the following criteria to apply! If students have any questions, they should contact their counsellor.

#### **Criteria:**

- Must be a Grade 12 student graduating by this June
- Must have a Social Insurance Number
- Must be a Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident
- Must have a C+ (67%) average or higher in your Grade 11 & 12 courses

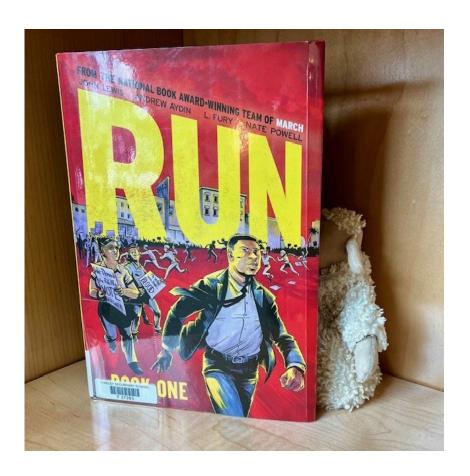




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## **Learning Commons News**

Do you know that we have a contest in the library every month and that we have gift cards as prizes? In March, students can search the library for the Sheep on the Shelf and write down what she is reading. In March the prize is a \$10 gift card for Starbucks.







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## #thatWellnessThing - March 6th

Join several of our community partners to learn more about mental health and wellness at the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Open House & Community Resource Fair. Please see the poster attached for more details.

Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-7pm at the Langley Education Centre (21405A 56<sup>th</sup> Avenue).



Join us to learn more about mental health and wellness at our fifth annual open house & community resource fair!

#### PRESENTATIONS & INFORMATION TABLES

- Mental Health & Wellness
- Substance Use Resources
- Healthy Living
- Counselling
- Family Support
- Post-Secondary Info
- Employment

4:30 - 7:00 PM WEDNESDAY 78 MARCH 6 8

21405A - 56 Ave. Langley



For additional information or to participate as an agency, please contact Amanda: arawle@sd35.bc.ca







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Saturday, March 9 Almost Easter Giveaway @ Town and Field Church, 20719-48 Avenue, Langley.

FREE clothes for baby to adult, toys, diapers/incontinence items, linens, personal and smaller household things.

Entry Fee is \$4/person, kids 10 and under are free. Event hours are 2 PM to 4 PM

<a href="https://clothes2u.ca/?page\_id=22">https://clothes2u.ca/?page\_id=22</a>





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## **Information About School Status During Inclement Weather**

Snow closures and power outages are an annual occurrence in Langley School District. So, where do you go to get information about the status of schools during periods of inclement weather? If you are able to access the internet via computer or smartphone, current information about Langley schools can be accessed on all school websites or <a href="www.sd35.bc.ca">www.sd35.bc.ca</a>. Updates are also posted to Twitter @LangleySchools and Facebook at <a href="www.facebook.com/langleyschooldistrict">www.facebook.com/langleyschooldistrict</a>. If you don't have internet connectivity but your phone is working, call a relative or friend in an area that has not been affected by the storm and ask them to check the district website for you. Local radio stations are also informed of school status in Langley. Tune in to CKWX 1130AM, CKNW 980AM, Country Radio 107.1FM, Pulse 107.7 or CBC 690AM or 88.1FM for updates.

Please note that Langley District schools are all considered 'open' until a decision to close is required. Decisions on school closures are usually made by 6:30am. As always, it is a parent's decision whether to send their child to school based on safety and individual circumstances. If you feel it is unsafe for you or your child to travel to or attend an open school for any reason, please keep your child home and report an absence to the school.

## **Emergency Procedures & Response**

Health and safety are a priority in the Langley School District. Schools follow emergency procedures to ensure students, staff, and any visitors in our schools or sites are safe when unexpected incidents or events happen. At the start of every school year, administrators, teachers, and staff review these emergency procedures. Schools practice a set number of drills annually in preparation for unexpected situations. The District encourages families to become familiar with these staff emergency procedures and the drills that are completed in our schools. You can read them in the Staff Emergency Procedures Poster <a href="here">here</a> or find them posted in areas throughout our buildings. If you have any questions or concerns about emergency procedures, please get in contact with your child's teacher or administrator.

See next page for poster/procedures





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## STAFF EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

## LOCKDOWN

Used in response to an armed or dangerous assailant WITHIN the school

- ☐ Gather people in your vicinity into a secure room do this quickly
- □ Close and secure doors
- ☐ Turn off lights, be quiet, get down low/behind heavy furniture, get out of sight
- ☐ Silence all cell phones and ask that they be placed face down on floor
- □ Alert other occupants by any means available and/or call 911 only if safe to do so <u>OR Leave Safe</u>. If no secure area is available and a safe exit is, then quickly leave the area/school. Report to the designated assembly area and await instructions.

\*Normal activities in the school cease. Await police response.

## HOLD & SECURE

Used if there is a security concern in the neighbourhood

- ☐ Bring everyone into the school and remain inside
- ☐ Secure exterior doors and windows
- □ Close exterior window blinds/drapes (if available)
   □ No one may enter or exit the school during Hold & Secure
- \*Typically normal activities continue WITHIN the school.

## **EVACUATE**

Used to move people out of the school when a hazard exists inside

- ☐ Direct students and other staff to exit the school via the shortest safe route
- $\hfill\square$  Report to and assemble outside at the designated assembly site
- \*Principal or designate will determine next steps.

#### SHELTER IN PLACE

Used if an environmental hazard may impact the school

- ☐ Bring everyone into the school and remain indoors
- □ Secure exterior doors and windows
- ☐ Close exterior window blinds/drapes (if available)
- ☐ Turn off all ventilation systems (if locally available/situation dependent)☐ Staff designates will monitor access to the school via the main entrance
- ☐ Access may be denied if a risk exists that jeopardizes the safety of occupants
- \*Typically normal activities continue WITHIN the school.

#### ROOM CLEAR

Used to move people away from a hazard contained in one room/area

- ☐ Direct students to leave the room/area and report to designated area (Ex. Library)
- □ Summon assistance as needed and appropriate (Ex. call First Aid Attendant, Principal/Vice Principal, 911)
- Staff should remain to manage the situation or exit if the room is unsafe.

## DROP, COVER & HOLD ON

Used in the event of an earthquake, explosion, or any event that shakes the school

- ☐ Quickly move away from obvious hazards
- □ DROP low to the ground
- Cover take COVER under a sturdy table, desks, furniture, or other large sturdy items
- ☐ HOLD ON to the furniture you are under and stay there until the shaking stops.

  After the shaking stops, wait 60 seconds and then EVACUATE via the shortest safe route. Report to and assemble outside at the designated assembly site.

\*Principal or other designate will determine next steps.



EMERGENCY TERMINOLOGY QUICK REFERENCE

## SCHOOL DRILLS

#### FIRE

- · 6 drills per year
- 3 per semester

Note: actual alarms and false alarms

#### **EARTHQUAKE**

- · 2 drills per year
- Outshare
- Great BC Shakeou

#### LOCKDOWN

· 3 drills per year

#### HOLD & SECURE + SHELTER IN PLACE

 1 review of procedures per year with all