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LOCKDOWN / INCLEMENT WEATHER PROCEDURES

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Parents,

The safety of our children is of utmost importance. As in previous years, we would like to remind you of some safety precautions that are in place at our school.

Inclement Weather:

During inclement weather, if it is determined that we are unable to proceed with a safe dismissal process, students will remain inside the school building until the school deems it safe to proceed with the dismissal process.

Please expect delays.

Lockdown Procedures:

The City of Pembroke Pines Charter Schools have a complete and detailed Safety Plan that is reviewed and approved by the City of Pembroke Pines (police and fire department) and Broward County Schools Safety Department which aligns with guidelines provided by the Department of Homeland Security. The School Safety Plan is a uniform document that is used throughout the school district. School personnel have been trained in emergency procedures. These procedures are practiced with staff and students. The procedures are reviewed and evaluated for improvement by the school after each drill.

Schools initiate lockdown procedures in conjunction with our local law enforcement officials. Please be aware that if the school is in a lockdown, it does not necessarily mean that an incident has occurred on campus. Many times, an incident in the surrounding community necessitates a school lockdown.

We are aware that parents are anxious about the safety of their children and want to know what is happening as quickly as possible. We will provide this information as quickly as we can in cooperation with law enforcement.

During a school lockdown, the safety and security of students and staff are of paramount importance. To assist the school during an emergency, and to avoid jeopardizing the safety of our students and staff, we ask that parents adhere to the following guidelines:

- Be patient.
- Tune in to local media for official information and instructions
- Call the Pembroke Pines Police Department at (954) 431-2200 for more information.
- Under **NO** circumstance should parents attempt to enter the campus or remove their child from the school **prior** to an all clear.
- Defer from calling the school's front office for information.
- Comply with directives given by law enforcement officers or school personnel.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Dr. Maria Garcia
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Our vision, as a community, is to cultivate character and foster life-long learning through a challenging educational experience in a safe environment.
