



Q3 Week 1

Dear HVE Students and Families,

Welcome back! It was so nice to see everyone yesterday after our lengthy winter break.

Yesterday's class consisted of guest speakers from the Colorado Springs Independence Center and El Paso County on the important topic of emergency preparedness for individuals with disabilities. Students viewed videos on how to prepare for emergencies to include how to "shelter in place," how to seek help and how to build an emergency kit to include developing an emergency plan with the family. The use of 911 and reverse 911 were explained and useful tools/items for an emergency kit were displayed.

The students' homework includes sharing the various materials they received, talking about what they have learned and asking if their families are signed up for reverse 911 emergency/safety notifications.

The El Paso County Emergency Preparedness Coordinator also provides specific trainings on various safety/emergency skills, e.g. how to use a fire extinguisher or how to clean and dress a wound, etc. If you are interested in a specific topic related to safety or emergencies for your student, the coordinator can return for more hands-on specific skills training.

Due to upcoming guest speaker schedules, I have changed some of the dates for this quarter's topics. The topics have not changed, only the dates on which they will occur. Please refer to the [attached](#) syllabus for details.

If you have not submitted your third quarter registration, please contact Brooke; brookec@rmdsa.org for details/questions.

I am looking forward to another fun and interesting quarter with these amazing young men and women!

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Warmly,

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