



Maywood

Office of Emergency Management

Your family may not be together when disaster strikes...

The Maywood Office of Emergency Management urges you to “Stay Connected” during National Preparedness Month

Take a moment today and subscribe to the following alert services for Maywood. These voice, text alerts or e-mails will let you know about bad weather, road closings, local emergencies, etc.

- Maywood Reverse 911 Signup - <http://www.maywoodpd.org/swiftreach.html>
- Nixle alerts - From your cell phone, text your zip code to 888777 for mobile alerts
- Twitter – Follow [@MaywoodPolice](#) and follow [@MaywoodOEM](#)
- Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/maywoodpolice>

Complete a contact card for each adult family member. Have them keep these cards handy in a wallet, purse or briefcase, etc. Additionally, complete contact cards for each child in your family. Put the cards in their backpacks or book bags.

- Maywood Public Schools homepage – <http://www.maywoodshools.org> Any and all important info will always be posted here
- Maywood Schools Email blast - Log onto <http://www.maywoodshools.org> and look to the options on the left. Click on “email Blast Sign Up” and follow directions.
- Twitter – Follow [@MAYWOODSCHOOLS](#)
- Maywood Schools Text and Reverse 911 - Blackboard connect is used to call and text all of parents with important information when needed.

Identify a contact such as a friend or relative who lives out-of-state for household members to notify they are safe. It may be easier to make a long-distance phone call than to call across town, so an out-of-town contact may be in a better position to communicate among separated family members.

Be sure every member has a cell phone or a prepaid phone card to call the emergency contact. If you have a cell phone, program that person(s) as "ICE" (In Case of Emergency) in your phone. If you are in an accident, emergency personnel will often check your ICE listings in order to get a hold of someone you know. Make sure to tell your family and friends that you've listed them as emergency contacts.

Teach family members how to use text messaging. Text messages can often get around network disruptions when a phone call might not be able to get through.