

**ZION LUTHERAN SCHOOL
EARTHQUAKE KIT INFORMATION**

Due Date for all Student Earthquake Kits is Tuesday, September 20, 2011

Zion Lutheran School has put together a comprehensive disaster plan to care for your children in the event of a major earthquake. It is our hope that we never need to use it, but, if necessary, we will need all of our parent's cooperation to make this plan successful. The Board of Education has made it mandatory that all students must participate as part of a statewide preparedness program and each child is to have their own earthquake kit. The directions for accumulating the materials needed for the kit are listed below.

PICKING UP STUDENTS

Our plan encourages parents to come to the school and pick up their children in the event of a major earthquake. It is our hope and expectation that children will either be claimed by their parent, a person designated on their regular pick up list, or by someone with a note from the parent. In the event that your child has not been claimed, he or she and a teacher will be relocated to the official disaster center. A note will be left on the office door of our school directing you to the official disaster center where you can find your child.

WATER AND FIRST AID KIT

The most essential element needed by humans is water. Water will be provided. Zion Lutheran School will also provide First Aid materials.

THE STUDENT KIT

Please provide food items for your child that they will enjoy and at the same time receive solid nourishment. The kit will be kept at the school and sent home with your child in June.

Items of food which we recommend are:

- One or more (self-opening cans):
- Canned tuna (water pack)
- Small package processed cheese (Velveeta)
- Canned, unsalted nuts
- Canned meat and/or chicken
- Canned Vienna sausages
- Plastic silverware

Foods to avoid:

- Foods that need heating, need water added, or foods that are salty (potato chips, pretzels, salted nuts, crackers and canned fish).
- Also, foods your child will not eat!

Other items recommended are:

- One solar blanket – available at discount department stores for less than \$5.00
- Any medications your child would require (or extra eye glasses)
- Any emergency information card – a 3x5 card designating to whom your child may be released. Include on the card the name, address and telephone number of an out-of-state relative or friend. Also, include your child's physician's name and phone number.
- Each child needs a small flashlight – (batteries must be kept separate in the original package). Some of you may wish to put a special little surprise into the bag (a note, family picture, deck of cards, crayons/coloring books, etc)
- Put all of these items in a Ziploc bag with his/her full name and grade inside and on the bag.

Thank you for assisting us in building our preparedness for an event we pray never occurs.