

## Pre-Disaster Community Survey 2015-02

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The South Whidbey School District is participating in a pilot project with the Office of the Superintendent for Public Instruction (OSPI) to create a Hazard Mitigation Plan for our district as part of the first statewide K-12 Facilities Hazard Mitigation Plan. Hazard mitigation pertains to measures that can be taken to reduce risks from natural disasters. Natural disasters in our area include: Earthquakes, Tsunamis, Volcanic Events, Floods, Wildland/Urban Fires and Landslides.

Once completed, our plan will be submitted to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for possible funding that would be used to improve the ability of school buildings to resist a "natural disaster". The funds are limited such that building replacement is most likely not an option; however, if the district were successful in acquiring the funds, building improvements could be accomplished.

This survey is designed to assist our district in developing a Hazard Mitigation Plan by identifying the concerns and preferences of our parents, teachers, other district personnel, and members of the public for reducing risks from natural hazards to our district's schools, facilities, and people. As part of the process to pursue the funds, the district would like to obtain the public's opinion and input on how best to use the funds. The district is requesting that you provide your thoughts and advice through the survey below:

1. Which natural disaster do you believe produces the highest threat to the buildings that make up the South Whidbey School District?\*

Please choose one per building/site.

	Earthquake	Flood	Tsunami	Landslide	Fire	Volcanic Eruption
Elementary School	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
S.W. Academy (old PS)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Langley Middle School	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
High School	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transportation/Maint	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

2. Considering a natural disaster event when schools ARE in session (filled with students and staff), what is your primary concern?

Please select one primary concern.

- Contacting persons at the school
- Access to the school
- Immediate protection of persons at the school
- After event protection of persons at the school
- Damage to school facilities
- Other, please specify

3. Considering a natural disaster event when schools are NOT in session, what is your primary concern?

Please select one primary concern.

- Disruption of school activities
- Damage to school facilities
- Impact on education of students
- Cost of recovery
- Other, please specify

4. What do you think is the best way for SWSD to prepare for a natural disaster?

Please select one.

- Protect and improve entry/exit areas to the school buildings
- Strengthen the buildings to better survive natural disasters
- Review and enhance training for students and staff in the event of a natural disaster
- Further train emergency teams for natural disaster response
- Other, please specify

5. Please tell us about your level of support regarding the following strategies related to reducing risks to schools from natural disasters:

Rate each strategy on the scale provided.

	Not important	Low	Moderate	High	Very Important
More resources should be available to help school districts implement risk reduction measures for schools that are at high risk from natural hazards.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Washington State should be more proactive in helping districts identify schools that are at high risk from natural hazards.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
New schools should not be built in areas that are at high risk from natural hazards.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

6. Are there other risk reduction strategies you feel would be helpful to schools in our district?

- Yes
- No
- If yes, what do you suggest?

7. Please identify the group that best describes your interest in this project.

Please choose one.

- Interested citizen
- Parent of a student
- Teacher
- Student
- Other district staff
- Non-school agency or organization

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