

Do you have a plan?

What would happen if your child came home from school and you weren't there?

What if you were inadvertently detained and couldn't call to let the school know you were going to be later or weren't able to pick your child up at all?

Would your child know what to do?

Taking the time now to make a family plan for these type of possible situations could help your child make a safe and smart decision in case of an emergency.

A Family Emergency Plan should include:

- Phone numbers and instructions on how your child can call a family member or close family friend who is available during the day to come stay with your child or who can take your child to their home until you are available.
- The phone number of your child's school and instructions to call the school if they cannot reach a family member or close friend. Someone from the school can come and get your child and take him or her back to the school or to a safe location with proper adult supervision.
- Up-to-date emergency contact information with home, cell and work numbers for each family member.

Make sure your child's school has your and your emergency contact persons phone numbers on file.

For more information about making a family emergency plan, go to <https://emergency.cdc.gov/preparedness/plan/>.