

Lockdown Drills

Information on how lockdown drills are implemented in the Carroll County School District

KRS 158.164

KRS 158.164 mandates that schools conduct lockdown drills at least twice each school year.

The purpose of a “building lockdown,” according to KRS, is “to restrict the mobility of building occupants to maintain their safety and care.” This means that students remain in classrooms with the doors locked. Students remain in the classroom until the building’s principal circulates around the school, unlocking each door before alerting the class that the drill is over. Building principals announce lockdown drills over their school’s intercom system.

Principals clearly and repeatedly announce lockdown drills as **drills**.

Hard Lockdown vs. Soft Lockdown

In a **Hard Lockdown**, classroom doors are locked. Teachers turn out the lights, and students move outside of view of windows.

In a **Soft Lockdown**, classroom doors are locked, but lights remain on. Instruction continues as normal.

Drug Searches and K-9 Units

Carroll County School District policy prohibits K-9 units from interacting with students. Therefore, K-9 units are occasionally in the schools during lockdown drills to search for illegal substances. During the searches, students remain in classrooms.

Questions or Concerns

Safety is our first priority. If you have questions or concerns about lockdown drills, please contact your child’s principal or the district’s director of pupil personnel:

Kathryn Winn Primary	502-732-7090
Cartmell Elementary	502-732-7085
Carroll County Middle School	502-732-7080
Carroll County High School	502-732-7075
Area Technology Center	502-732-4479
Alternative Learning Center	502-732-7112
Child Development Center	502-732-7016
Carroll County School District	502-732-7070