

Fire Safety Educational Announcement #3

Good morning students and staff of Memphis Business Academy. We will hear our **3rd Fire Safety Educational Announcement** for the 2020-21 School Year. Please let me have your “undivided attention” as we read this important fire safety information.

According to a National Fire Protection Association survey, only one of every three American households have actually developed and practiced a home fire escape plan. While many American households have an escape plan in case of a fire, only few of those have practiced it.

The 2nd. Semester has started the new year with the continuation of “virtual learning”. During the extended time at home, take this time to discuss and create with family an “Escape Plan” in the event of a fire in your home. If a fire breaks out in your home, you may have only a few minutes to get out safely once the smoke alarm sounds. Everyone needs to know what to do and where to go if there is a fire.

SAFETY TIPS

- ❖ MAKE a home escape plan. Draw a map of your home showing all doors and windows. Discuss the plan with everyone in your home.
- ❖ KNOW at least two ways out of every room, if possible. Make sure all doors and windows leading outside open easily.
- ❖ HAVE an outside meeting place (like a tree, light pole, or mailbox) a safe distance from the home where everyone should meet.
- ❖ PRACTICE your home fire drill at night and during the day with everyone in your home, twice a year.
- ❖ PRACTICE using different ways out.
- ❖ TEACH children how to escape on their own in case someone can't help them.
- ❖ CLOSE doors behind you as you leave.

IF THE SMOKE ALARM SOUNDS...

- ❖ GET OUT AND STAY OUT. Never go back inside for people or pets.
- ❖ If you have to escape through smoke, GET LOW AND GO under the smoke to your way out.
- ❖ Call the fire department from outside your home.

Remember, our students, staff, and families are our most precious asset. Let's take every precaution to protect their lives and safety.

Thanks so much for your attention

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