

WE NEED YOU!

Emergency **PREPAREDNESS FAIR**

May 4-8, 2026



Calling all Gr. 4-7 classes Port Hardy & surrounding area!

Emergency preparedness is everyone's responsibility—residents, businesses, and government all play a part in ensuring the community is ready. Each May, Port Hardy Emergency kicks off Emergency Preparedness Week with an event to help people learn how to be prepared for an emergency of any kind. For 2026, we invite students to join us in raising awareness and starting the conversation about being ready when it matters most.

Sign up your class to help start the conversation!



Emergency preparedness topics:

- *Hazards & risks (earthquake, tsunami, wildfire, extreme weather, power outages, etc.)*
- *Building an emergency kit*
- *Make an emergency plan*
- *Household & business preparedness*
- *Hazard zones & evacuation sites*

For more information and to register your class email:
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Re: Invitation to Participate in 2026 Emergency Preparedness Fair

Dear Grade 4-7 Classes,

Every May, Port Hardy Emergency hosts an annual event to kick-off Emergency Preparedness Week. This well-attended public event has been widely supported with educational and interactive displays from our emergency response partners including Port Hardy Fire Rescue, RCMP, Canadian Coast Guard, B.C. Ambulance Service, BC Wildfire, Canadian Rangers Patrol, the District of Port Hardy's Animal Control and Operational Services departments.

For 2026, Port Hardy Emergency will host a symposium style event. To help with this initiative, Port Hardy Gr. 4-7 classes are invited to join Port Hardy Emergency and local response partners to help raise community awareness on this important subject. Students would research and create an emergency-themed display that focuses on a key topic of emergency preparedness and readiness such as:

- A hazard type & risk (earthquake, tsunami, wildfire, severe weather, etc.)
- Building an emergency kit (for home, car, or at work)
- Make an emergency plan (household or business)
- Evacuation zones

Displays would be presented by 1-5 students. The public will be invited to attend the event to view the displays and ask the students about their topic. Our goal is to create conversation and awareness around emergency preparedness amongst the younger generations and to share this valuable information with the community.

We invite your class to participate in this event, planned for during the week of May 4-8, 2026, at the Port Hardy Civic Centre. To avoid duplication of topics, student groups can sign up for a topic in a first-come, first served fashion. For more information on the available topics or to sign-up, contact District staff by email at Lbates@porthardy.ca.

Sincerely,

DISTRICT OF PORT HARDY

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