News Release

The Polk County Emergency Management Agency Encourages Polk County Residents to Prepare During Severe Weather Preparedness Week Feb. 6 – 10, 2023

(Polk County, Ga) Floods, thunderstorms, tornadoes and other severe weather events can occur suddenly in Polk County. That is why the Polk County Emergency Management Agency, in partnership with the Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency, encourages all residents to participate in Severe Weather Preparedness Week, February 6 –10. Participation helps us to learn and know how to prepare for the possibility of inclement weather.

"Now is a great time to participate in the Severe Weather Preparedness Week. This way, we can start planning ahead of time for weather emergencies," said Bobby Dockery, Director of Polk County Emergency Management Agency. "This weeklong event ensures you and your family will learn what steps need to be taken to ensure your safety."

The following days will focus on a different threat and methods of preparation. Listed below are the topics for each day.

Monday, Feb. 7 – Family Preparedness/NOAA Weather Radio Day Tuesday, Feb. 8 – Thunderstorm Safety Wednesday, Feb. 9 – Tornado Safety and CodeRed Test Thursday, Feb. 10 – Lightning Safety Friday, Feb. 11 – Flood Safety

On Wednesday, February 8, 2023, tornado safety is emphasized along with a CodeRed test. As part of this drill at 9:00AM a countywide CodeRed test will be conducted. Remember, this will only be a test. After the test if you know someone who did not get the test have them visit ema.polkga.org/codered or text ENROLLPOLK to 99411 to enroll or update their information. If you have not enrolled it is easy and FREE! Just text ENROLLPOLK to 99411 or visit ema.polkga.org/codered to enroll on a computer.

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