



# STEP

Student Tools for  
Emergency Planning

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INFORMATION?

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# WHAT IS STEP?

STEP is a preparedness education project developed by FEMA and piloted in Wisconsin in 2011. Students at the fifth-grade level are armed with strategies to deal with various types of emergencies and share this awareness with family members.

## LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Students learn **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE** about disasters common to their area.
- Students learn to assemble **EMERGENCY KITS** with their families.
- Students learn to form **COMMUNICATION PLANS** with their families.

## BY TEACHERS...

## FOR TEACHERS

STEP materials include Instructor Guides, DVDs, copies of student handouts, and student starter kits for all schools participating. Everything is ready to use - at no cost to the school.

The STEP lesson materials are designed by teachers, for teachers. The one-hour base lesson has streamlined objectives in order to be a manageable time commitment in the classroom. If you have more time, there are lots of optional activity ideas included.

## ADVENTURES OF THE

A staple part of the STEP lesson, this 14-minute live-action video outlines preparedness strategies in an engaging and age-appropriate way. The video shows how kids can prepare for a disaster by being aware of dangers in their area, building an emergency supply kit, and talking with their families to plan for different scenarios.



# GET INVOLVED

## APPLY ON-LINE

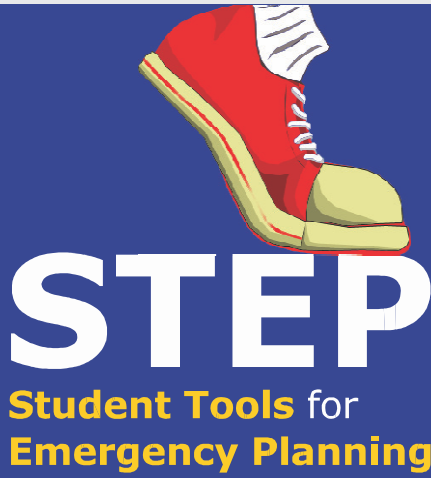
- You can apply to be part of the STEP in Wisconsin by visiting <http://ready.wi.gov/> and filling out the online application form.
- Teachers or administrators can apply on behalf of their school, but an administrator will have to approve participation in the program.
- Applications are due October 28, 2011. Selection of the pilot participants will be complete by November 7, 2011. Materials will be distributed to schools in December 2011. Instruction should be complete by the end of the school year.

## SELECTION CRITERIA

In support of the program's goals, schools participating in the Wisconsin STEP pilot will be chosen primarily by three criteria:

1. Schools which applied and/or participated in 2010-11
2. Geographic distribution around the state
3. Date of application submission

STEP pilot schools will be required to sign an agreement that all fifth-graders in the school (not just one or two classrooms) will be taught at least the one-hour core STEP program. Schools will also agree to participate in a survey evaluation after the program is completed.



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## DISASTER DUDES GAME

An optional activity to do after watching the "Disaster Dudes" video, the game is a fun Jeopardy-style quiz where students get points for correctly answering disaster-related questions. A full set of cards and directions is included in the STEP materials kit.

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Disaster: Tornado  
Value: 500 Points  
Question:  
You are at home when you hear  
a tornado warning. What should  
you do?