

Emergency Preparedness Drill at UCSD on Oct. 1

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MEDIA ADVISORY

EVENT: Emergency Preparedness Drill at UCSD.

Students at the University of California, San Diego, who live on campus will participate in a major disaster drill. In the early morning drill, occupants of the five UCSD colleges are required to leave their rooms and gather at designated assembly areas until an all-clear signal is given. This annual event creates a scenario to familiarize resident students with procedures to follow during an emergency.

DATE: Friday, October 1

TIME: 7:15-7:45 a.m.

LOCATION: The "disaster" will occur throughout the campus.

(See map attached.)

REMARKS: The drill is designed to enhance UCSD's ability to respond to a major emergency that would require evacuating buildings and moving people to safe areas. It is scheduled soon after the start of the Fall Quarter so students will be prepared for their year on campus, and presupposes a scenario of going three days without help in the event of a disaster. Larry Barrett, Director of Housing & Dining Services, coordinates departmental operations during the drill. Roll will be taken at all the assembly areas as students and Housing, Dining and Residential Life staff assemble. In an actual emergency, searches would be conducted for any missing students. Equipment and supplies for use in an actual disaster have been conveniently situated throughout the campus.

CONTACT: Sandra Cromwell, Director of Management Support, Housing & Dining Services Administration, is coordinating the event. She can be reached in advance of the drill at 534-4612. Or contact Pat Jacoby, UCSD Communications, 534-7404.

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