



Ready Together Checklist

For students who attend, lead, or help run a Ready Together session.



● Participant + Facilitator Handout



Ready Together goal

Students help families prepare by **learning**, asking **good questions**, sharing **credible information**, and encouraging **calm action**. Adults and local officials remain responsible for emergency decisions.

1 For every participant SHOW UP · LISTEN · TAKE IT HOME

- Learn one thing about **alerts**, one thing about **supplies**, and one thing about **family communication**.
- Ask questions when something is confusing. There are **no silly safety questions**.
- Take home the checklist and complete **three actions** with a trusted adult.
- Share **credible information**, not rumors or scary posts.

2 Youth Leader Safety Promise MY ROLE · MY LIMITS

- I can **learn, remind, organize, and encourage**.
- I will **not** make evacuation, medical, or emergency-response decisions for my family or group.
- I will tell a **trusted adult** if someone is unsafe, scared, injured, or missing.
- I will follow official instructions from local emergency officials, school leaders, and trusted adults.

3 For student facilitators RUN THE SESSION WELL

- Use **official sources** before teaching: NOAA/NWS, Ready.gov/FEMA, Red Cross, CDC, and local emergency management.
- Keep the tone **calm, hopeful, and practical**. Avoid graphic storm stories.
- Make sure every activity has an **adult advisor**, sign-in method, and feedback option.
- Follow school / youth-group rules for photos, videos, media releases, and parent permissions.

4 Session materials PACK & BRING

- Printed checklists, pens, clipboards, sign-in sheet, feedback forms, QR code, and source list.
- Sample go-bag items: flashlight, battery, water bottle, snack, contact card, comfort item, pet plan card.
- Inclusive materials**: large-print option, simple language, and quiet space when possible.
- Impact tracker**: attendance, age/grade band, materials shared, QR scans, and feedback themes.



What *not* to do

- Don't pressure anyone to share personal disaster experiences.
- Don't film or post students without required permission.
- Don't give medical, legal, insurance, or evacuation instructions beyond official guidance.
- Don't frame preparedness as fear. Frame it as teamwork and calm action.

● Use local emergency alerts and follow instructions from local officials.



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Plan a session, take action at home, and collect feedback.



● Session Worksheet

Before the session

confirm · print · assign

TASK	OWNER	DONE?
Confirm adult advisor, venue, date, and audience		<input type="checkbox"/>
Check official sources and local guidance		<input type="checkbox"/>
Print checklists, sign-in sheet, feedback forms, and QR code		<input type="checkbox"/>
Confirm media and photo permissions and parent consent rules		<input type="checkbox"/>
Assign roles: welcome, activity lead, source checker, feedback, cleanup		<input type="checkbox"/>

Take Home Challenge

do this with my family this week

THIS WEEK, I WILL...	DONE?
1. Choose an out-of-town contact and write it down	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Find our evacuation zone or local risk map	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Pack or update one go-bag item	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Add one comfort item, plus one pet, baby, senior, or accessibility item if needed	<input type="checkbox"/>

Feedback and impact

what we learned · what is next

QUESTION	ANSWER
One thing I learned	
One question I still have	
One thing my family will do this week	
Session attendance, materials shared, QR scans	



Youth Leader Safety Promise

I will help by **learning, reminding, organizing, and encouraging**. I will **not** make emergency decisions for others. I will follow trusted adults and official instructions.

● Use local emergency alerts and follow instructions from local officials.