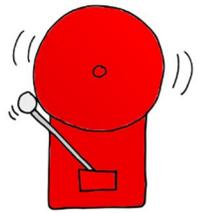


Fire Alarms



There are fire alarms in most buildings. Fire alarms are to be used when there is a real fire or a fire drill. A fire drill is when we practice safe ways to get out of a school or a house. When a fire alarm is pulled, it sets off the alarms in the building. The loud noise means there is a fire or a drill.



If there is a real fire, people might smell smoke or see flames.



Sometimes people will only hear the fire alarms. The noise may be loud so that people can hear it. Some people have to cover their ears. When a fire alarm makes noise, it is a good idea to go outside. If it is a real fire, someone should call 911 for the fire department to help. The firemen will try to help put out the fire and help everyone get outside safely.



Because a fire alarm is used for a real fire or a fire drill, it is not a good idea to pull the alarm. It is not a joke and it is not funny to pull the alarm.

Pulling the alarm means it a FALSE alarm. A FALSE alarm can scare people that don't know there is not a fire. If an alarm is pulled, then the firemen and police come to help. If the firemen are at a FALSE alarm, then the firemen are not ready for a REAL fire and someone could get hurt.

It is a good idea to remember to only pull a fire alarm if there is a REAL fire or a fire drill. The teachers and adults will pull the alarm for a drill. That is not usually a student's job. Remembering that fire alarms are only for real fires or fire drills will help keep everyone safe.

