Minnesota Severe Weather Awareness Week

April 17-21, 2023

Are you ready for severe weather? Each year, Homeland Security and Emergency Management in collaboration with the National Weather Service Sponsors Severe Weather Awareness Week in Minnesota. The week is designed to refresh, remind, and educate everyone about the seasonal threats from severe weather and how to avoid them.

Centennial Office Building Severe Weather Drill

The severe weather shelter in place drill for the Centennial Office Building is scheduled for **Thursday April 20 at 10:30 AM.**

Admin Building Severe Weather Drill

The severe weather shelter in place drill for the Admin Building is scheduled for **Thursday April 20 at 11:00 AM.**

If you are working remotely

- Please take this opportunity to identify shelter areas at your location and practice sheltering in place.
- For those of you reporting to your usual workplace or working in a new area or building, please locate to your identified workplace shelter areas.

Procedure for the drill

- Review and update your contact information in Self-Service
- An announcement will be made via PA system at the start of the drill.
- An all clear will be announced via PA system at the end of the drill.

What to do during a real severe weather event

- Go directly to an enclosed, windowless area in the center of the building, the lowest floor possible
- Stay away from glass and windows
- Interior stairwells are also good places to shelter.
- Crouch down and cover your head.
- Do not use elevators; you could be trapped if the power is lost.

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