DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

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- EF-4 tornado hit Lee County
- 23 people lost their lives that day
 - Including 4 children
 - Loachapoka Elementary 9 year old boy
 - Beauregard Elementary 8 year old girl
 - Beauregard Elementary 6 year old boy
 - Lee Scott (was Beauregard) 10 year old girl
 - Including 1 CNP worker from Auburn City Schools



SCHOOLS IMPACTED

West Smiths Station Elementary School was hit by the Tornado

- Roof Damage
- Vent hood Damage
- Air Conditioners Damaged
- Playground Damaged
- No Power

SCHOOLS IMPACTED

- Sanford Middle School Became Headquarters for All First Responders, EMA Headquarters
- Beauregard High School Became Headquarters for all press conferences
- Beauregard Elementary School Became Headquarters for all power companies

THINGS WE DID RIGHT AFTER STORM

- Checked buildings for damage
- Checked for power outages
- All Administrators met to set up a game plan
 - Close schools until further notice
 - Form groups to go out an access the damage

WHAT WE LEARNED ALONG THE WAY

- Grief counseling had to be set up for Employees and Students
- Met with all faculty before students came back to discuss how to handle the fact that many students that would not be returning and the effects for the children that would be
- We had to be careful of noises that were made in cafeterias loud noises were to be avoided at all cost

THINGS WE HAD TO LEARN

- All the homeless children that would be coming back to school
 - How to get them there
 - How to feed them (put into system as homeless)

THINGS WE ARE CHANGING AND IMPLEMENTING

- Large Freezer located at Central Office for food, if needed
- Provide back up power generators through maintenance dept.
- USDA to be used for emergencies with documentation on what was used
 - Can get USDA from other schools if they will share

















