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Dear Parent(s) or Guardian(s):

**RE: Emergency Preparedness Challenge**

You can't always predict an emergency, but you can prepare for one.

In an effort to increase awareness and understanding of emergency preparedness, Emergency Management Ontario (EMO), in partnership with Insurance Bureau of Canada, would like to encourage all Ontarians to take the Emergency Preparedness Challenge.

From April 29 to May 31, 2010, individuals can take part in the challenge by visiting [www.ontario.ca/beprepared](http://www.ontario.ca/beprepared). Those who successfully complete a short, age-appropriate quiz will be eligible to win prizes, which will be awarded in early June.

The challenge is open to all residents of Ontario ages seven and up. Those under the age of 17 require your permission, as parent or guardian, to enter. This can be done online at the time of entry.

From making a family emergency plan to preparing an emergency survival kit, we encourage you to discuss emergency preparedness with your family. Learn how to be prepared by taking the Emergency Preparedness Challenge together.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please do not hesitate to e-mail [askEMO@ontario.ca](mailto:askEMO@ontario.ca).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ian Davidson".

Ian Davidson  
Commissioner of Community Safety

**Did you know?**

Emergency Preparedness Week is May 2 to 8, 2010. To find out what events are planned across the province, please visit [www.ontario.ca/beprepared](http://www.ontario.ca/beprepared) or contact your local community Emergency Management Coordinator through your municipal government office.