ShakeOut Activities
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Campus Earthquake Preparedness Events

Coordinating between 3 campus groups

Office of Environmental Health & Instructional Safety

Campus Police

Department of Geological Sciences
Campus Earthquake Preparedness Events

August - October

- Official e-mail notification sent to faculty one week before school started
- All-campus notification sent after second week of school
- Information about EQ Safety posted on Student Web Portal
Campus Earthquake Preparedness Events

August - October

EH&IS offering a series of “Earthquake Preparedness” workshops for campus staff.

Meetings with Academic Senate, Council of Deans, & Monthly Campus Chairs’ Luncheon.

Roughly bi-weekly “EQ Facts” emails.

We would like to use some of the EQ Myths from the “Roots” brochure.
Campus Earthquake Preparedness Events

“Get Ready Rally” Monday, Nov 10

- Fullerton CERT Program
- Preparedness Guides
- Geology Club EQ Kit Sale
- Noon speakers
- EQ Simulator (Safe-T-Proof Quake Cottage)
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Nov 13

EQ Drill is our required campus evacuation drill for semester.

Drill will happen at 9:30am to accommodate class schedule.

One-minute duck and cover.

Mandatory building evacuation.

Hope to activate emergency communications system.

Use students from Freshman EQ & Volcano class to “assess” campus response.

Estimate classes resume by 10:00.

Will activate campus Emergency Operations Center.

EOC & Police will table-top exercise after drill is complete.
Problems & Pitfalls

- Getting Faculty to “buy-in”
- Class schedule made 10:00 drill impractical
- Still haven’t figured out how to “announce” the beginning of the drill
- Astonishing misperceptions of EQ safety, even from “safety officials”
- Planning takes A LOT of time
- Planning & execution depends heavily on a few key people
Positives

- First ever collaboration between faculty, police & staff for an emergency drill on July 29, Chino Hills Earthquake has already heightened EQ awareness in the administration.
- Good opportunity to raise awareness among students.
- Meets our mandatory evacuation drill for the semester.
- Forced staff to review emergency procedures.