StormReady in a Box
Application Element 6-5: StormReady Board Tour

Purpose: The StormReady Supporter application requires that a tour of your facility should be given to StormReady board. If students are involved with this element, students will engage with the 21st Century skills of communication and collaboration.

Instructions for Teacher: The StormReady Board, composed of local Emergency Management Officials, the National Weather Service Warning Coordination Meteorologist, and First Responders, is required to tour the facility before gaining StormReady Supporter status. This can be done two ways.

1. The board can tour the facility before the application is submitted and return for verification after the application is read.
2. The board can tour the facility as part of the verification. However, if they find an issue with your application, they will have return to verify the application again.

You can decide with the administration and the local Warning Coordination Meteorologist which is tour procedure is more appropriate for your school.

Students can be involved with the tour (similar to the first responder tour) by selecting a few students who are interested in weather. Have the students explain aspects of the plan that they understand to the board. Be prepared to show the board any aspects of the StormReady Supporter application including: locations of weather radios, shelter locations/procedures, Emergency Operations Center location, and more.

After the Activity: If the tour for the Board occurs before the application is submitted, write the date that this occurred on the application. If the tour for the Board will occur as part of the verification, note that you would like them to come for both aspects.

Reminder: This tour should be done once every three years, even if your StormReady Supporter status is not up for renewal.