

## Planning for Family Reunification Before, During, and After an Emergency Train-the-Educator (TtE)

*An overview of family reunification before, during, and after an emergency.*

The REMS TA Center is excited to offer the [Planning for Family Reunification Before, During, and After an Emergency Train-the-Educator \(TtE\) Virtual Training by Request \(VTBR\)](#) created in partnership with the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Safe and Supportive Schools (OSSS). This dynamic and interactive 2.5-hour training is designed to provide educators and school staff with a better understanding of family reunification before, during, and after an emergency and how to develop a Family Reunification Annex for the school emergency operations plan (EOP) that meets the needs of the local school and community.

### TRAINING DESCRIPTION

This training is intended to provide participants with an introduction to family reunification and how it is used to reunite children with verified and authorized family members after a critical and often highly stressful incident (e.g., a fire, a natural disaster, a school bus accident, a situation involving weapons or violence at school, etc.) that prevents a normal school dismissal. The Family Reunification Annex is recognized in [Guide for Developing High-Quality](#)

[School Emergency Operations Plans](#) and [The Role of Districts in Developing High-Quality School Emergency Operations Plans](#) as a critical element of the overall EOP.

Participants will be equipped to review and update their Family Reunification Annex on a regular basis to ensure the most successful outcome, while applying training principles for including a step-by-step plan to reunify children with their families before, during, and after an emergency across the five mission areas.

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The intended audiences for this training are school and school district administrators, educators, staff, and members of an EOP planning team. This training is also applicable for fire officials, emergency medical services personnel, law enforcement and school resource officers, local public health officials, local mental/behavioral health practitioners, and other community partners.

### TRAINING DETAILS

**When:** Thursday, March 14, 2024  
**Time:** 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. ET  
**Cost:** NO CHARGE

Register for this virtual training session online at:  
<https://seiservices.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAtcempuz4iGd3yGilsNQ7ztzefOpfpDUN1#/registration>

Registration for this event closes on  
**Monday, March 11, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. (ET).**

#### Training Objectives

The aim of this training is to help participants be able to:

- Understand important family reunification concepts;
- Know what to do before family reunification is necessary;
- Prepare for what to do during family reunification; and
- Know what to do after family reunification is completed