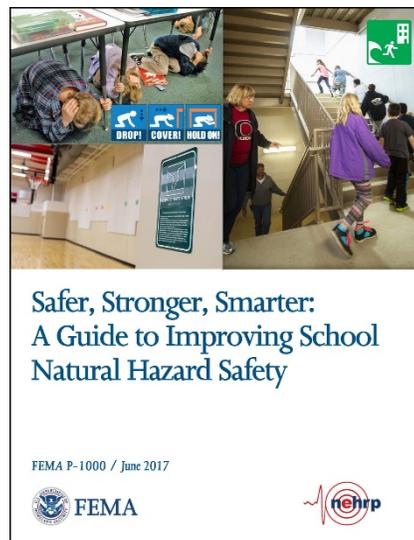


Free Webinar on Earthquakes and FEMA P-1000, *Safer, Stronger, Smarter:* *A Guide to Improving School Natural Hazard Safety*

Thursday, September 12, 2019
12:00 pm – 1:15 pm Pacific
Registration Fee: Free
1,000 registrations (sites) maximum

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Purpose. This webinar will provide an overview of earthquake-specific information included in the guidebook [FEMA P-1000, *Safer, Stronger, Smarter: A Guide to Improving School Natural Hazard Safety*](#). FEMA P-1000 aims to equip school safety advocates and stakeholders with the information, tools, and resources they need to promote safer schools in their communities, and the guidebook aims to empower and support decision-makers by providing actionable advice.



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Background. Recent earthquakes in Alaska and California serve as stark reminders of the damage that these events can do. We also know that nearly all states in the U.S. experience moderate to major earthquake risk, with many regions being subject to potentially catastrophic impacts. In light of this risk, how can we ensure that our school buildings are safe and that our school leaders are prepared for these events? This free webinar will tackle these questions head on—acknowledging that in many parts of the U.S. and around the world, school buildings are highly vulnerable to significant damage or collapse in earthquakes. There are, however, many actionable steps we can take to prepare for and mitigate the most severe consequences of these events. This webinar will focus on the earthquake risks we face and what we can do about them to help ensure our schools are stronger and safer.

Intended Audience. The intended audience for this webinar includes K-12 school administrators, school emergency managers, school facilities managers, school board members, teachers, representatives of parent groups, and others interested in improving school natural hazard safety with a specific focus on earthquakes. Engineers and building professionals who are interested in

communicating the importance of school natural hazard safety to decision-makers may also find this webinar useful.

Webinar Instructors



Instructor, Lori Peek. Peek is Director of the [Natural Hazards Center](#) and Professor in the Department of Sociology at the University of Colorado Boulder. She served on the Project Management Committee that developed FEMA P-1000, *Safer, Stronger, Smarter: A Guide to Improving School Natural Hazard Safety*. Peek is the principal investigator of the new National Science Foundation-supported CONVERGE initiative. She studies vulnerable populations in disaster and is author of *Behind the Backlash: Muslim Americans after 9/11*, co-editor of *Displaced: Life in the Katrina Diaspora*, and co-author of *Children of Katrina*. Peek earned her Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of Colorado Boulder in 2005.

Instructor, Jason Ballmann. Ballmann serves as Communications Manager for the [Southern California Earthquake Center](#) at the University of Southern California, spearheading major, multi-channel earthquake and tsunami outreach activities, such as the [Great ShakeOut](#) Earthquake Drills movement, various [TsunamiZone.org](#)-hosted campaigns, and the [Earthquake Country Alliance](#) group. Through his work, Ballman regularly supports and connects all sectors of communities through strategic communications and partnerships efforts, from the local to international level, involving governments, non-profits, schools, universities, colleges, healthcare organizations, media outlets, private businesses, and individuals and families. He brings research and practice-based evidence in the geological and social sciences in helping organizations creatively design and implement preparedness and mitigation efforts.



Instructor, Jill Barnes. Barnes is the Executive Emergency Strategist for the Los Angeles Unified School District, providing emergency management for the more than 1,000 schools in LAUSD. She advises schools on emergency procedures, writes guidance documents, oversees emergency-related training, manages the Emergency Operations Center, and acts as a liaison to government and community agencies during emergencies. Barnes is a career educator and a former Police Officer with the Los Angeles Police Department, as well as a former Public Information Officer for the Santa Monica Fire Department. She is working on the thesis for her fifth university degree, an MA from the Naval Postgraduate School's Center for Homeland Defense and Security. She is very tired and does not plan to complete more degrees.

Instructor, Edward (Ted) Wolf. Wolf is a writer and editorial consultant based in Bellingham, Washington. He served on the Project Management Committee that developed FEMA P-1000, *Safer, Stronger, Smarter: A Guide to Improving School Natural Hazard Safety*, and he helped lead preparation of the report's section on tsunamis. As a policy advocate in Portland, Oregon, Wolf championed Oregon's statewide efforts to finance K-12 school seismic retrofits and to establish a state Office of School Facilities, and he co-founded parent school safety initiatives, including [Parents4Preparedness](#). Wolf's academic background includes degrees from the University of Washington and Williams College.



Registration Information

Professional Development Hours (PDHs). Each participant of this webinar will receive a certificate in PDF format documenting 1 PDH. Each additional participant sharing the registrant's computer may request PDH documentation following the webinar. Certificates are generally distributed two weeks after the webinar.

Registration Information. The webinar is funded by the National Earthquake Technical Assistance Program (NETAP*). Can't attend? Register anyway and we'll send you a link to the recording! To register online, click [here](#).

Webinar Handouts. The webinar handouts are available for download [here](#). These handouts include the following documents:

- FEMA P-1000 report, *Safer, Stronger, Smarter: A Guide to Improving School Natural Hazard Safety* (in PDF format).
- The presentation slides (in PDF format), which will be available for download the day before the webinar.
- A list of answers to commonly asked questions about ATC webinars

Participants may request hard copies of the FEMA P-1000 report to be shipped, free of charge, to an address within the U.S. from the FEMA warehouse by calling 1-800-480-2520 or e-mailing FEMAPubs@gpo.gov. Expedited orders may be made through the ATC Online Store by clicking [here](#).

***About NETAP.** The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) developed NETAP as a mechanism for delivering direct assistance to the public through state, local, or tribal government entities, to increase their knowledge and ability to analyze their risk, make plans, and take actions aimed at reducing their earthquake risk and supporting overall community resilience.

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