



# FEMA REGION I

## High School Camp Curriculum: Leadership in Emergency Management Course

Implemented in summer camps, this 3 hour Leadership in Emergency Management Course gives 9-12<sup>th</sup> graders the experience of role playing incident command positions in disaster scenarios based on real events.

Initially developed by FEMA Region I and the Massachusetts Maritime Academy, with collaboration from the American Red Cross, Mayflower RSVP, Boston Public Schools, and the NorthEast Disaster Recovery Information X-Change (NEDRIX), the program results in students:

- Learning basic Emergency Management concepts
- Role-playing leadership positions within the management of an incident, practicing skills in critical thinking, strategic reasoning, difficult decision making, and working with a team.
- Preparing and conducting group presentations.
- Implementing preparedness plans in their homes.
- Becoming exposed to the growing fields of homeland security, emergency management and business continuity.
- Obtaining ongoing access to emergency preparedness



### Scenario 3:

An outbreak of SARS has infected a suspected 1300 cases in the city of Providence. Janitorial staff is on the verge of striking because of fear of catching the disease and hospitals are running out of isolated rooms and beds.

What is your first course of action?

Your Roles- Chief of Emergency Services at Mass General Hospital, Mayor, Director of CDC, Mass DPH, Professor of Infectious Disease, Mass EMA

### For camps:

1. Program is provided at no cost to camps
2. Groups must be between 15 and 50 campers  
*Multiple groups may rotate throughout the day*
3. Minimum requirement of 3 hours  
*Additional lessons available for up to 3 days with no additional cost*
4. FEMA will provide trained instructor(s) and all learning materials.



*Although it was piloted at Massachusetts Maritime Academy's Sea, Science and Leadership camp in 2009 and 2010, the program is currently still in development.*

**For information on how to be involved, or to sign up for a potential June-August 2011 roll out, please contact:**

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