When Nature Strikes – Hurricanes

Extension: How should you prepare for an approaching hurricane?

The "When Nature Strikes" program seeks to inspire students and other viewers to learn more about natural hazards so you will be better aware in advance of how to prepare for such events and what to do should one occur. One of the best ways to enhance your knowledge is to teach it to others.

Create a slideshow, video, or other presentation to educate younger students in your school system or a community group about hurricanes.

You should include answers to these questions:

- How likely is your State to be affected by a hurricane? Your Community?
- Which States are most likely to experience hurricanes? How does yours compare?
- Why do meteorologists give names to hurricane and other tropical storms?
- What have been some of the strongest hurricanes ever observed?
- What agency has official responsibility to issue warnings?
- What is a hurricane advisory? Hurricane Watch? Hurricane Warning?
- What should every school and home have in order to receive notices of approaching storms?
- What should people in your community do to prepare for a hurricane?
- What are some frequently asked questions about hurricanes and tropical storms?

Here are selected links that may help you to get started:

National Weather Service Hurricane Hazards

Tropical Cyclone Hazards

Hurricane and tropical Cyclone Safety Tips

Tropical Storm Names

<u>Frequently Asked Questions about Hurricanes</u>