

NOAA Weather Radios

The following activity will allow you to think about the best locations in your school to have NOAA Weather Radios. A **NOAA Weather Radio** is a special type of radio that provides constant weather conditions, forecasts, and advisories. When hazardous weather is in the area, meteorologists with the National Weather Service (NWS) will send out their warnings for tornadoes, flooding, severe thunderstorms, winter weather, and more out on the NOAA Weather Radio. Refer to your teacher or NOAA Weather Radio brochure for more information.

On the chart on the next page, there is a list of different locations within the school. Write down what would be good or bad about having a NOAA Weather Radio in each location. Consider the following questions:

- Where will people hear the NOAA Weather Radio?
- Where will decision-makers be during hazardous weather situations?
- Who in the building should be made aware of hazardous weather situations?
- Where will the radio not pose a distraction?
- Where will the radio make the greatest impact in alerting those in the building about hazardous weather?

After you complete the chart, you and your class will discuss which locations in the building are the best locations for keeping NOAA Weather Radios.



Above is an image of two types of NOAA Weather Radios.



Location in Building	Good Things About Location	Bad Things About Location
Principal's Office		
Gymnasium		
Library		
Cafeteria		
Nurse's Office		
Main Office		
Athletic Office		
Janitors' Office		
Bathrooms		
Teachers' Lounge		
Your Science Classroom		
Security/ Student Resource Officer's Office		



Which locations do you think are the best locations for a NOAA Weather Radio to be placed in your school? Why?

Which locations do you think are not good locations for a NOAA Weather Radio to be placed in your school? Why?

