

Hillsite

Hi Michelle,

The day of the lock down: Prelude

The students came into the room sat in their seats, I took attendance and then I started going over some things on the board before the quiz. I gave the quiz out, there were two students who refused to take it. One girl put her name on it and just scribbled all over it and ripped it into three pieces. I took her quiz from her and left it on my desk and asked her to leave and go to the office. The other girl was giving me a hard time about the quiz and making a lot of noise. I asked her to stop and she said "no" She left to the office also.

The other students were asking questions and I was guiding them as much as possible, that is when the announcement for the lock down drill came over the intercom. The shades were already down. A boy got up and untied the knot in the curtain as I was checking the hallway for anyone. I turned off the lights and had the students sit on the floor near the interior wall. They were to remain silent through the whole drill. I pushed some tables in the direction of the windows so there would be enough room for all the students and their legs. I got to my desk and turned off my computer because it gave off a lot of light. One student (redacted), was sitting in a chair next to my desk, I ask him to get down on the floor and he said, "no", this went on for a few more times, then I told him to sit on the floor with the other students. I said to him, "you need to get off the chair", I said it a few more times. I saw him getting up, so I had my hand on the back of the chair waiting for him to get off, when I moved the chair, I thought he was standing, I would have never moved it otherwise. I lifted the chair above the kids heads and one said it just missed him, I said sorry, and placed the chair down.

When (redacted) was sitting on the floor, he was yelling out, "I'll have a burger, don't forget the fries". He just kept yelling out food items and said don't forget my shake. In the mean time the other students were laughing and I said to them to stop, "no sounds during the drill" Then (redacted) started up again. Then there was an announcement to make a list of students in our classroom and slide it under the door, I didn't do that because it didn't make sense to me to list the students I had in my class. All along (redacted) kept yelling out and I just looked at the other students and told them to ignore him, he is not funny. Then a bell rang and then the bell rang again. (redacted) stood up during the drill and I asked him to sit back down he sat down. Then the announcement that the drill was over, that is when the students were getting up. Before they left the room I mentioned to them that (redacted)'s behavior and laughing would of made our room a target for an intruder to hurt us. As (redacted) was leaving the room he was laughing and said "if that was real drill, do you think I would of acted like that". I didn't answer I just moved the tables back before the other group was coming in.

Michelle, this is the best I can remember, I have been playing over in my head, it was a fast reaction to get all the students down and "quiet" as fast as possible.