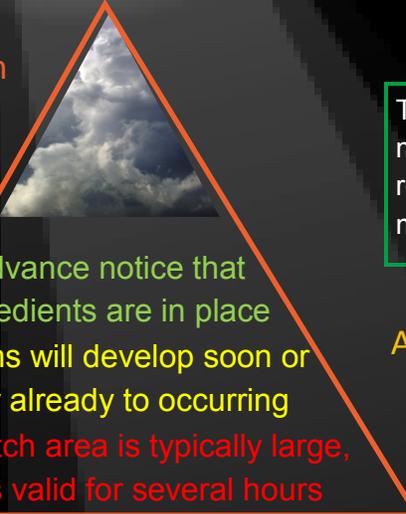# Safety Spotlight
Staying Weather Aware
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There are many ways to stay weather aware. The best option is a NOAA Weather Radio. The second best option is to sign up for @lertSouthlake on your mobile device. @lertSouthlake is a mass notification system that will send weather alerts to your cell phone, home phone, and/or email as you deem necessary. Lastly, follow Southlake social media (Facebook and Twitter) as well as news media and radio broadcasts.

DID YOU KNOW ?

The Office of Emergency Management tests the outdoor warning sirens the first Wednesday of each month at 1:00 p.m.

Watch

Advance notice that ingredients are in place

Storms will develop soon or may already to occurring

The watch area is typically large, and is valid for several hours

PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO WEATHER

Advisory

Hazardous conditions will occur, but are not expected to reach Warning criteria

Impacts are expected

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Warning

Urgent indication that severe weather is occurring or imminent

Specification of location, movement and impacts

Take protective action

TAKE ACTION NOW

Be Prepared

Ensure that you have a disaster kit for your family. This kit should allow you to remain self-sufficient for 72 hours. It should contain 1 gallon of water per person per day, non-perishable food items, medical supplies, flashlight, tools, radio, and any other items you deem that would make you comfortable during a disaster. Do not forget to include items for your pets. Make a plan that includes the whole family. It is best to have a contact number locally and out of town where each family member can check-in during an emergency. Each plan should be specific to you and your families needs. For more information visit www.ready.gov.

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