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| CMP Section | Emergency Management Phase | Phase Characteristics |
| BEFORE | **Prevention** | Prevention refers to actions taken to avoid an incident or to intervene to stop an incident from occurring. |
| **Mitigation** | refers to the sustained activities to reduce the loss of life and property by avoiding or lessening the impact of an unavoidable disaster. |
| Protection | Refers to actions to ensure that all stakeholders can respond in a rapid, coordinated, and effective manner to help save lives and minimize damage.  |
| Preparedness | Refers to actions to ensure that all stakeholders can respond in a rapid, coordinated, and effective manner to help save lives and minimize damage.  |
| DURING | Response | Refers to the necessary actions to swiftly address the short-term, direct impacts of the incident. These efforts are designed to reduce the likelihood of secondary loss or damage and to save lives and property, establish a safe and secure environment, and facilitate the transition to recovery. |
| AFTER | Recovery | Refers to the ongoing process that includes not only the mental, emotional, and physical healing process of students, faculty, and staff, but also a restoration of a school’s physical (buildings and grounds), fiscal (daily business operations), and academic (return to classroom learning) operations. |