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Weather Hazard Events This Week

Shelby County's PrepareAthon is underway. "The PrepareAthon, April 25-29 involves education sessions and drills at schools, businesses, community groups, faith-based organizations and neighborhood associations," says Dale Lane, Director of the Shelby County Office of Preparedness.

The community-wide focus today: **Sign Up for Weather Alerts and Warnings**

The attachment with this news release gives details about today's topic and how to access important information to keep you safe during a weather emergency.

"Shelby County is the first in Tennessee to join the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in this five-day weather hazards education event. I'm pleased all the mayors throughout our county recognize and support this important initiative to keep our citizens safe," said Shelby County Mayor Mark H. Luttrell, Jr.

Other topics this week include:

- **Tuesday April 26: Learn Your Local Flooding Risk**
- **Wednesday April 27: Participate in Shelby County's Tornado Drill**
- **Thursday April 28: Drop, Cover and Hold On During Shelby County's Earthquake Drill**
- **Friday, April 29: Personal and Business Preparedness Day**

The PrepareAthon will emphasize the four principles of disaster preparation and response:

1. **Stay informed**
2. **Have a response plan**
3. **Build an emergency kit**
4. **Get involved by taking a weather spotter course or volunteer to assist during a disaster**

For more information about **Shelby County's PrepareAthon**, go to www.staysafeshelby.us or call (901) 222-6700.