Fragments, Run-ons, and Comma Splices

Directions: Proofread the paragraph below to correct these errors WITHOUT ADDING OR DELETING WORDS. Be sure both the punctuation and the capitalization are correct as you make changes.

All families should plan and practice how to escape from their homes in the event of a fire. Especially at night. Because every minute spent in a burning house means extra danger. Escape routes should be planned and practiced periodically. Family members should practice crawling through the house in the event rooms are filled with smoke. They should also learn how to move through the house in darkness. In addition, family members should plan where to meet outdoors. And what to do when they get there. If families plan and practice their escape, a house fire does not have to mean a complete tragedy. Everyone should learn more about fire safety in the event of a house fire, contact your local fire department for more information.