#### **Our Common Goal**

Law Enforcement and School Partnerships

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#### **Traditional SRO**

#### • SRO

- 6 Full time SRO's, each high school has 1 deputy permanently assigned and 2 supervisors.
- SRO cover some school administration jobs
  - Issuing parking passes
  - Directing traffic
  - Issuing school lockers

#### SSO Vs. SRO

- SSO School Security Office
  - 6 full time SSO's which patrol the Primary and Middle Schools with over 5000 walk-throughs a year.
  - 16 Patrol Deputies which cover the 4 High Schools.
     With 1 deputy stationed at each high school for 2 week tours.

#### SSO Vs. SRO

- SSO Duties
  - Patrol parking lots
  - Patrol school halls and grounds
  - Be in areas of congregation (lunch room and commons area)
  - Assist in school investigations
  - Conduct law enforcement investigation

#### The SRO

#### Points to Ponder

- What is their duty?
  - What does the LEA want or describe as their duties?
  - How does the school describe their duties?
- Do they perform duties that would regularly be handled by a school employee?
- Are you circumventing their school safety duties by having them do these administrative tasks?

### Best Practices for SSO's

 Treat them as you would any other professional by respecting the duties they were assigned to do.



# Understand their legal limitations. Search and Seizure

While at school student Susie comes and tell you that Billy has \_\_\_\_\_ in his backpack. She saw it.

What is your response?

SSO involvement?

Who searches?

### School Rules Vs. The Law

Tylenol - RULE Fentanyl - LAW

Coke Cola - RULE Beer - LAW

#### Rule Vs. Law

#### Rule:

- School enforced
- School discipline
- Law Enforcement assists

#### Law:

- LEO enforced
- Maranda
- Arrest
- School assists

## SSO's What do you do with them?

- Fights
  - School handles most disciplinary action unless there is
    - Blood
    - Battery of school official
    - Chaos

On these we will make an arrest.

## SSO's What do you do with them?

- Off Campus issues
  - Give us the information in a timely manner
- Suspicious activity
  - Get the information to us as soon as possible
- Required reporting incident
  - Get the information to us as soon as possible
  - Let us investigate and determine if there is a criminal incident

#### The Information We Need

- Write the story as you saw it.
- Write it in the first person.
- Use name instead of he, she, them.
- If you don't know their names use descriptions.

### The Information We Need

- Write in chronological order.
- If you don't write it, it didn't happen
- Remember to answer the basics: Who, What,

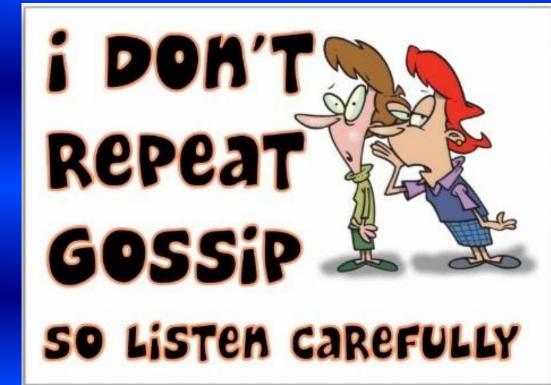
When, Where, How, and Why.

#### The Information We Need

Information you know but didn't see first hand.

Include the information but add where you got the

information from.



- This report is your documentation of the incident.
- You will use it to refresh your memory 2-3 years later in some cases longer.
- It will be entered into court record.

"I knew Johnny and Bobby were fighting so I broke it up"

Very conclusive straight to the point but what was left out.

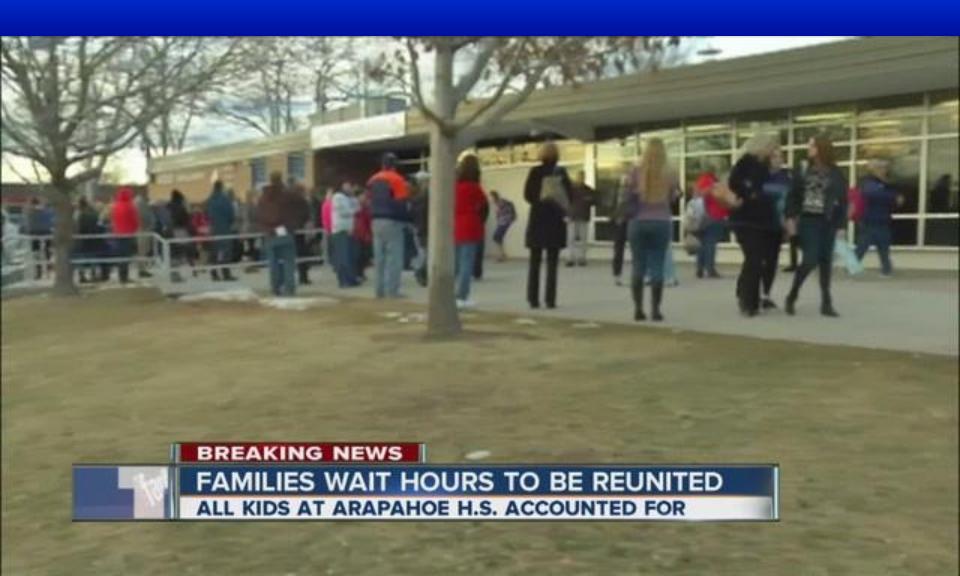
"While in my room I heard a disturbance coming from the adjacent hall, which I believed to be a fight. Upon exiting my room I saw Bobby and Johnny fighting. I saw Bobby standing over Johnny holding Johnny's hands and Johnny continuing to kick Bobby."

A clear picture from your viewpoint.

 Always write your report expecting to have to testify in court.



## Are You Ready

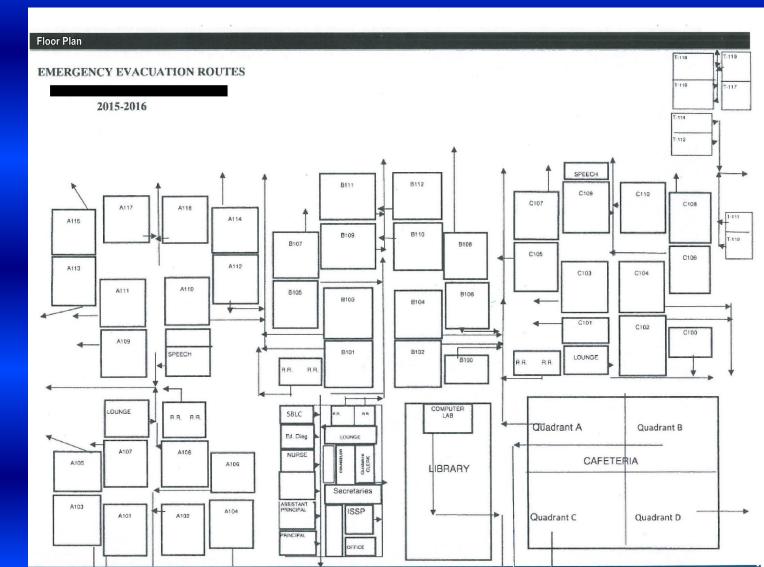


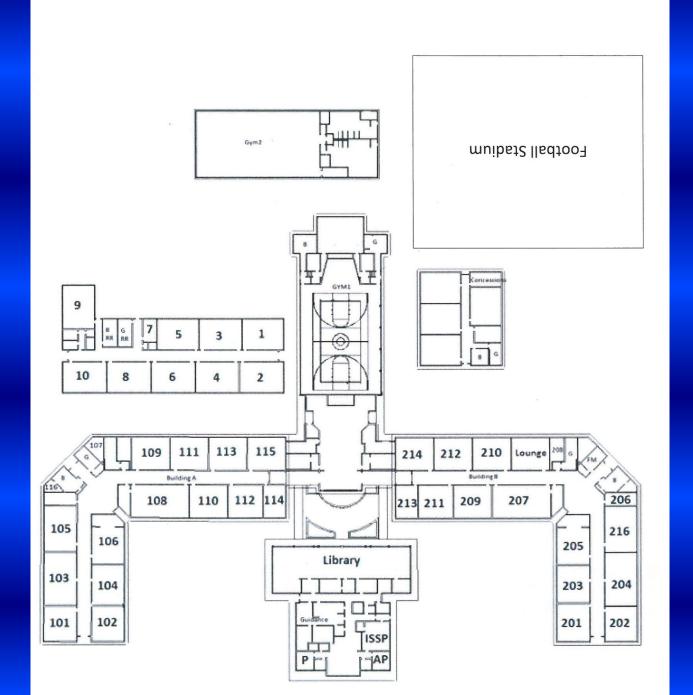
# Major Incidents: Outside the Day to Day

- Do you train?
- Are you and your team prepared?
- Are you covered legally?
- Is it documented?
- Can your plan survive the first gunshot?

When you have to go to court and defend your districts action or planning, are you

ready.





# Following Nashville school killings, Louisiana official wants campus perimeters 'hardened'

Following the fatal shooting of six people at a Christian school in Nashville, state Superintendent of Education Cade Brumley called for a "hardening" of school security and more counseling services to mitigate future mass casualty events in Louisiana.

https://www.nola.com/news/education/louisiana-official-wants-campuses-hardened-after-nashville/article\_b6e335b2 -cfc8-11ed-9031-dbeb985f3ed6.html



## Security



•The doors at Covenant were shot in, but at other deadly shootings like in Uvalde, Texas; an unlocked exterior door was to blame.

https://newschannel9.com/news/crisis-in-the-classroom/inspectors-find-dozens-of-unsecured-doors-at-local-schools-who-is-accountable

•MOUNT PLEASANT, S.C. (WCIV) — A man was arrested Thursday afternoon after he jumped a fence and walked into Mamie P. Whitesides Elementary School via an unsecured door while children were taking part in the district's Kaleidoscope afterschool program, according to a police report obtained by ABC News 4.

https://abcnews4.com/news/local/man-arrested-after-walking-into-mt-pleasant-mamie-p-whitesides-elementary-school-through-unlocked-door-wciv-telvin-bolger

The state fire marshal's office says they found 527 unlocked exterior doors across about 1,500 Tennessee schools this year. 41 one of those doors were in 10 counties in our area:

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### Is Your School Safe and Secure?

- One master key or several?
- Who has the master key(s)?
- Key or security card?
- Do doors lock properly?
- Is keeping the door secure enforced?

#### Is Your School Safe and Secure?

- Does your school have cameras?
- Does LEO have access?
- Who is camera savvy?
- Who is their backup?
- Do you have a safe room?
- Is there a landline in it?



## Fight or Flight

- Triggering the effect your body/system encounters an unknown perceived threat.
  - -Flight:
    - You either "lock-up" or run away for safety.
  - Fight:
    - Aggress the threat or immediately start thinking through the threat.

Anyone caring for children must react in Fight mode or Thinking mode.

# How did you react to a "startling" incident Fight or Flight

Did you hunker down or did you try to identify the threat.

The fight mode is the ability to think and then act when you are startled or threatened.

## Training

 LEO are mandated to maintain 40 hours of training a year.







## Situational training



Building clearing

Shoot/Don't Shoot

Interactive training





School Drills & Planning

- Lockdown drills
  - Unannounced

- Complete school involvement
- Debriefing and critique
- District Crisis Team meeting







## Your Summer To Do List

- Update school maps.
- Restock emergency supplies.
- Restock classroom emergency supplies.
- Facilities checklist. (locks, cameras, windows, gates, fences, safety shut off, etc...)

## Plan for a Lockdown

- Knowing your students...
  - Diabetic
  - Allergies
  - Epileptic
  - Social/Emotional/Behavior issues
  - Infections

### What do you need?

- —Student roster
- basic first aid kit (lot of gauges pads & tape)
- -gloves
- -snacks
- garbage bags
- paper towels
- -tissue paper
- -5 gal bucket
- water





## After the Active Shooter



# After the Shooting

The active shooter





## Three next steps

Get medical aid in and evacuating the school.

Account for all students

Uniting student with their parents

## Priorities inside the school

- Know injuries
  - •Clearing/evacuating room that were involved in the incident.
  - Clearing/evacuating all rooms

## Threat is Over?

 The known threat has been stopped, why not let the school come off Lockdown?

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• 1 suspect is stopped how many more are

there.



## First Aid & Evacuation



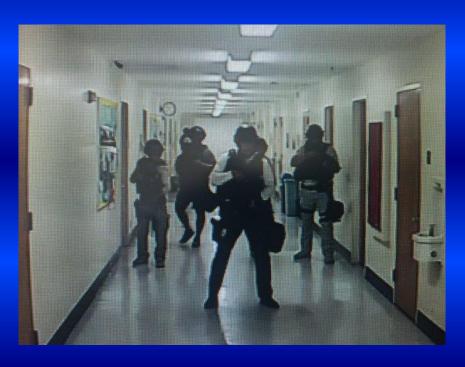
### Rescue Task Force - RTF

#### The RTF in a team of 5-6 people:

- •3 LEO's
  - Cover team only duty is to provide cover for the Fire/EMS personnel
- •2-3 EMS
  - FIRE/EMS team trained to work with LEO.
     The will stabilize the patient and stretcher them to Triage Point.

## **Evacuation Teams**

These are made up of LEO







### Evacuation

Every Room has a Suspect.



When the police open the classroom door, everyone will be ordered to put their hands up.

**Follow Orders** 

# Safety Safety Safety

- •If everyone put there hands up we can see that there are no threats.
- Gives the student the chance to let us know if a suspect is hiding amongst them.
- You will be told to keep your hand up until everyone is checked.

## Keep it together

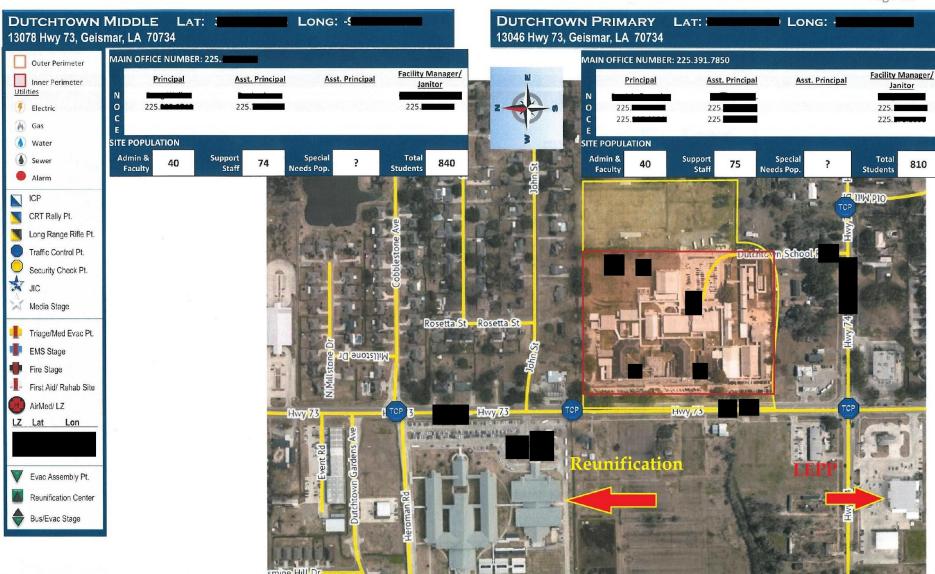
Keep your class together.



It is going to feel like mass confusion,

but keeping class integrity is going to be important.





### **LEPP**

#### LEPP - Law Enforcement Processing Point

- School officials will check in student by class accountability
- LEO will do a quick brief to determine if there are any witnesses in the group
- School officials will process out the class/students.

### Reunification Center

After leaving the LEPP they will be transported to the Reunification Center, which is run by the school, not LEO.

- All parents will go to this predetermined location. (Determined before school year.)
- Children will be signed out by parent or legal guardian.
- Parent notifications.

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