



WSSCA SCHOOL SAFETY COORDINATOR CERTIFICATION COURSE

Module 6

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4 Goals in School Security

1. Deter
2. Detect
3. Detain
4. Disposition

#1: Deter

- ✦ Same goal as US Military.
- ✦ Keep things from happening.
- ✦ Most important step?
Visible adult supervision!

#2: Detect

- ✦ Catch the things that are unsafe.
- ✦ Visible adult supervision.
- ✦ Cameras, sensors, alarms, etc.
- ✦ Security in our schools is the responsibility of everyone-all the time!



#3: Detain

- ✦ Hold for administrative hearing.
- ✦ Hold for the police.

#4: Disposition

- ✦ Does disposition affect deterrence?
- ✦ Set the bar high for school security.
- ✦ Define “zero tolerance.”
- ✦ In the absence of respect, fear will do nicely.



Presidential Policy Directive 8

- ✦ Signed by President Obama March 2011
- ✦ Builds on PPD 5 from President George W. Bush.

Five Mission Areas

- 1. Prevention
- 2. Protection
- 3. Mitigation
- 4. Response
- 5. Recovery

#1 Prevention - BEFORE

- ✦ Avoid, deter or stop
- ✦ i.e. Anti-bullying, surveys, vulnerability assessments, threat assessments, etc.

#2 Protection - BEFORE

- ★ Ongoing actions that protect:
- ★ Locks
- ★ Police patrols
- ★ Cameras
- ★ Adults in the halls, etc.

#3 Mitigation - BEFORE/DURING

- ✦ Eliminate or reduce loss of life, and property damage:
- ✦ Training
- ✦ Drills
- ✦ Inform stakeholders to be observant

#4 Response – DURING

- ✦ Stabilize once an incident occurs or is unavoidable:
- ✦ Training
- ✦ Drills
- ✦ Plans

#5 Recovery – AFTER

- ✦ Restore the learning environment
- ✦ COOP (Continuing Operations Training)
- ✦ Enhanced communications
- ✦ Training
- ✦ Drills
- ✦ Plans

The Golden Hour

- ✦ The first hour of the crisis
- ✦ Minimize deaths
- ✦ Minimize injuries
- ✦ Minimize property damage
- ✦ Facilitate quicker recovery

Incident Command System (ICS)

- ✦ *Incident Commander*
- ✦ *Finance/Admin*
- ✦ *Logistics*
- ✦ *Operations*
- ✦ *Planning*

Command Post (CP)

- ✦ Where the leader should be.
- ✦ Near the crisis, but not too near.
- ✦ Phones, fax, radio, runner, recorder, etc.
- ✦ May have to move it.

School Crisis Management Team

- ★ Principal's crisis advisory committee.
- ★ AP, engineer, teacher, nurse, police, fire, parent, etc. who can offer advice.
- ★ Review school crisis plan, etc.
- ★ Purpose: To have the appropriate people identified, trained and in place in a crisis.
- ★ **IF YOU FAIL TO PLAN - PLAN TO FAIL!!!**

Role of Fire/Police

- ✦ Fire: Primary responsibility for rescue/recovery.
- ✦ Police: Primary Responsibility for criminal investigation and perimeter security.
- ✦ During Golden Hour roles may be mixed.

Legal Requirements OF NIMS

- ✦ Should be community-wide effort.
- ✦ Not everyone needs to know this stuff!
- ✦ Just the following:
 - Federal agencies (this is the way the US does business)
 - State and local agencies as a condition of \$\$\$
 - Those who want to minimize the likelihood of a crisis, reduce the numbers of deaths/injuries and property damage, and facilitate recovery.

History

- ✦ Since October 1, 2005, all 56 States and Territories were required to meet NIMS implementation requirements to be eligible to receive Federal assistance in the form of grants, cooperative agreements, and direct contracts.
- ✦ Progressively greater requirements.

The Authority

- ✦ NIMS Integration Center established by Homeland Security Presidential Directive 5 updated by Presidential Directive 8 in 2013.
- ✦ Designated NIMS Integration Center to lead in coordination of NIMS implementation.
- ✦ Also specifies that all recipients of Federal preparedness awards implement NIMS.
- ✦ Each Federal agency administers its own NIMS compliance.

NIMS Training Guidelines

- ★ Completion of the following:
 - ICS 100, Introduction to ICS
 - ICS 200, Basic ICS
 - ICS 300, Intermediate ICS
 - ICS 400, Advanced ICS
 - FEMA IS 700, Intro to NIMS
 - FEMA IS 800, Intro to Nat. Response Plan

Communicate with stakeholders

- ✦ Use media center, and one voice only!
- ✦ Draft a script for review by leaders.
- ✦ Never release death/injury info without approval of fire/police.
- ✦ Follow the script and don't deviate.
- ✦ Reassure the students/staff/school are safe.
- ✦ Have announcements until media stops coming.


Katrina: A Lesson Learned

- ★ President Of American Red Cross Ready
- ★ Convoy of trucks with emergency items
- ★ Everyone panicked, no order in State/City
- ★ No organizational structure or CP
- ★ First Press Conference several days later
- ★ In Baton Rouge 70 miles away
- ★ Be prepared! Learn to dance the night of the Ball?




Student/Staff Accountability

- ★ Teachers' primary function in a crisis is being fully accountable for each of their students at all times. (Run-Hide-Fight/ALICE, etc. may change this.
- ★ Staff members' responsibility is to be where the crisis plan directs them to be (i.e. member of Crisis Management Team, member of ICS team, etc.



Single most important school
safety feature???

A caring and trained
Principal!



“If there must be trouble, let it
be in my time – that my child
will find peace.”

- Thomas Paine