



Mountain View
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School District

Safety in our Schools

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SP2021 - Values and Beliefs

High expectations and continuous learning combined with a respectful and safe community create a positive educational environment.



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Understanding School Safety

Meta-analysis of active shooter incidents in school

- 2013 FBI and Dept. of Justice released a study of *Active Shooter Incidents in the United States between 2000 and 2013*
- As a result of the Parkland and Santa Fe shootings, the Secret Service partnered with the Dept. of Education to examine 37 incidents of “targeted violence.”

FBI and DOJ analysis

Between 2000 and 2013

- 160 identified active shooter incidents
 - Between 2000 and 2007 - 6.4 incidents per year
 - Between 2007 and 2013 - 16.4 incidents per year
 - In the 63 events where the duration of the event can be determined
 - 44 (69.8%) incidents lasted less than 5 minutes
 - 23 (36.5%) incidents ended in less than 2 minutes

FBI and DOJ analysis

“Educational environments were identified as the second-largest location grouping”

- 39 events have occurred on a school ground
 - 27 schools (defined as PreK-12)
 - 57 individuals killed and 60 individuals wounded
 - 6 events occurred in Middle School
 - 4 events occurred in Elementary School
 - 2 incidents occurred at a school board meeting

FBI and DOJ analysis

In all of the shootings the following characteristics were identified

- In all but 2 of the incidents, the shooter chose to act alone
- Shooter ages showed no pattern
- 85% of the shooters at schools were students
- Only 6 were female shooters

U.S. Secret Service analysis

“When establishing threat assessment capabilities within K-12 schools, keep in mind that **there is no profile of a student attacker.**”

What is needed is a comprehensive approach that includes “physical security, emergency management, and violence prevention.”



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What We Do

Emergency Response and Crisis Management Plan includes:

- State-mandated SB187 Plan (district and schools are required to update yearly)
- Infectious Disease and Pandemic Response Plan
- Emergency Actions
- Emergency Responses
- Crisis Communication Plan

Plans are published on the District's website and on the intranet.



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Prevention

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- Community Health Awareness Council (CHAC) on all sites
- Guidance Counselors
- Project Cornerstone
- PBIS, Restorative Justice
- Uplift
- Internet filters
- District / Site Safety Committees*
- Threat Assessment Teams*
- Annual Building Checks



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Training

Staff Training

- Incident Command System
- Annual emergency drill
- Monthly fire drills
- Annual training for emergency radio operators (used during drills)
- Run Hide Defend (RHD)- all staff are trained annually on county-wide protocol of RHD



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Drills/Exercises

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- Schools conduct monthly fire drills
- Frequent emergency radio testing
- Annual disaster exercise held every fall
- Run Hide Defend drill will be conducted in early February at both middle schools



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New protocols

New approaches

1. Developing safety assessment teams (SAT) at each site / department
2. “See Something Say Something” campaign
 - a. Anonymous form submission
 - b. Email - tips@mvwsd.org
 - c. Tipline - 650-237-1234
3. Exploring emergency notification system
 - a. Similar to presidential notification system
 - i. Developing a campaign for people to opt in to text notifications on SchoolMessenger
 - ii. System that allows staff to report emergencies faster