

School Safety & Security Update

Charter Schools New Applicant Training May, 2019

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Office of Safe Schools (OSS)

OSS serves as a central repository for best practices, training standards and compliance oversight in all matters regarding school safety and security

Our mission:

Support districts in providing a safe learning environment for students and educators

Primary goals of the office:

- Prevention
- Intervention
- Emergency Preparedness Planning



Florida Schools by the Numbers

Holmes Jackson
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- Chipley
- Pensacola

- Number of students (K-12)
 - = 2,846,857
- Number of schools/campuses
 - = 3,688 public schools





Safety & Security Requirements



S. 1002.33(16)(b), F. S.

A charter school shall be in compliance with the following statutes:

- S. 1006.12, relating to safe-school officers
- S. 1006.07(7), relating to threat assessment teams
- S. 1006.07(9), relating to School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting
- S. 1006.1493, relating to the Florida Safe Schools Assessment Tool



S. 1002.33(16)(b), F. S. – cont'd

A charter school shall be in compliance with the following statutes:

- S. 1006.07(6)(c), relating to adopting an active assailant response plan
- S. 943.082(4)(b), relating to the mobile suspicious activity reporting tool
- S. 1012, 584, relating to youth mental health awareness and assistance training



Safe-School Officers Assigned

S. 1006.12, F.S. - ... each district school board and school district superintendent shall partner with law enforcement agencies to establish or assign one or more safe-school officers at each school facility within the district



Safe-School Officers

- School Resource Officer
- School Safety Officer
- Coach Aaron Feis Guardian
- School Security Guard

MSDPSC recommendation – 1:1 ratio at all schools, bell-to-bell



Coach Aaron Feis Guardian Program

- Currently, 30 sheriffs throughout Florida have agreed to train volunteers as guardians (10 additional are interested)
- With SB 7030, if your sheriff is not providing the training, you may contract with another sheriff who is training, however you must notify your superintendent and local sheriff



Threat Assessment Teams

- As required by s. 1006.07(7)(a), F.S., each school board shall adopt a policy and establish threat assessment teams at each school to:
 - Include persons with expertise in <u>counseling</u>, <u>instruction</u>, <u>school administration</u> and <u>law</u> <u>enforcement</u>.
 - Make determinations of a student posing a threat of violence to himself/herself or others, exhibiting significantly disruptive behavior or need for assistance



Threat Assessment Teams

- Teams meet monthly or as often as needed
- Training available for statewide train-thetrainer to provide consistent training for teams across the state
- Moving towards a statewide standardized behavioral threat assessment instrument (based on the Virginia model)
- Data to feed into the Centralized Data Repository



School Environmental Safety Incident Reporting (SESIR)

- Collect data on 26 incidents of crime, violence and disruptive behaviors
- On school grounds, on school transportation and at off-campus, school sponsored events
- 365 days/24 hours
- Students, Non-Students or Unknown Offenders



<u>Level I - Most Serious</u>

Arson

Battery

Homicide

Kidnapping

Sexual Battery

Level II

Breaking & Entering/Burglary

Drug Sale/Distribution

Physical Attack

Robbery

Weapons Possession

Sexual Assault

Level III

Disruption On Campus

Drug Use/Possession

Hazing

Fighting *

Larceny/Theft

Sexual Harassment *

Sexual Offenses (Other)

Threat/Intimidation

Trespassing

Vandalism

Other Major Offenses

Level IV – Least Serious

Alcohol Tobacco ★

Bullying ★ Harassment ★



Online Training

- Knowledge of SESIR definitions and reporting process improves data quality.
- Online SESIR Training Information is available at:

www.SESIR.org

http://www.fldoe.org/safe-schools/sesir-discipline-data/



Florida Safe Schools Assessment Tool (FSSAT)

- As required by s. 1006.1493, F.S., this risk assessment tool is used by school officials at each school district and public school site, including charter schools
- Helps identify threats, vulnerabilities and appropriate safety controls



Active Assailant Response Plans

- Each district school board and charter school governing board must adopt an active assailant response plan.
- By October 1, 2019, and annually thereafter, each district school superintendent and charter school principal shall certify that all school personnel have received annual training on the procedures contained in the active assailant response plan.



Active Shooter Training and Drills

- Active shooter training ranges from videos for students to law enforcement-led courses for staff
- The law requires that drills for active shooter be conducted at least as often as other emergency drills



Implementation of Active Shooter Drills

- Some districts or schools plan for smaller drills on a monthly basis and more in-depth and intensive exercises each semester
- Work with local agencies and first responders in planning for a response in the event of an active shooter
- Developmentally appropriate (age, grade level, disability, etc.)

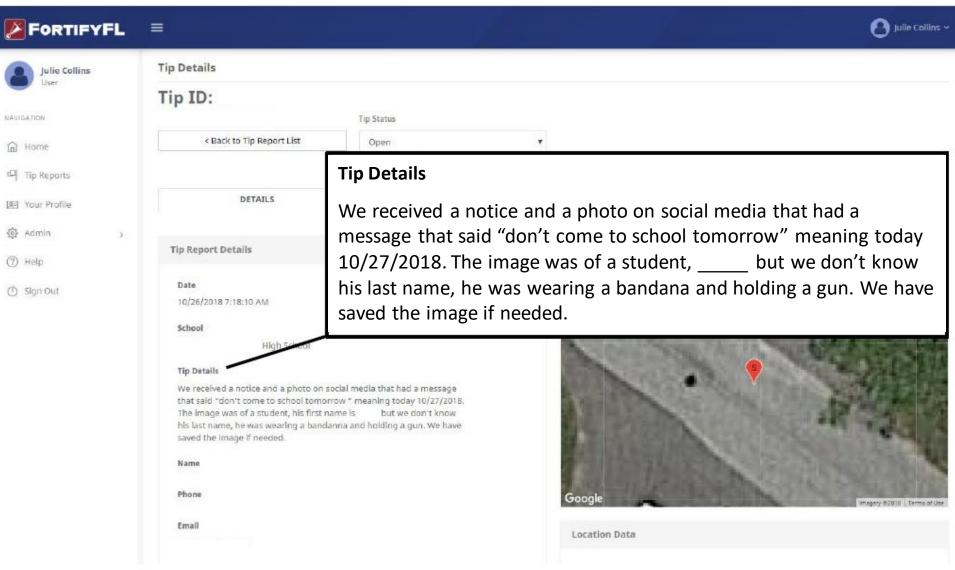


FortifyFL

- 6,924 Public and Private Schools
- 226 Law Enforcement Agencies
- 836 Tips Reported to Date
- Administrative users can access FAQs, video and "Quick Start" training via the FortifyFL portal













FortifyFL Tip Timeline

October 26, 2018

- 7:23 AM Tip created in FortifyFL
- 7:24 AM All relevant school and law enforcement contacts notified of tip
- 7:40 AM Tip acknowledged
- 7:46 AM SSS calls dispatch to notify SRO
- 8:04 AM SRO arrives at suspect's residence
- 8:06 AM Suspect taken into custody/arrested without incident



Youth Mental Health Awareness Training

- Since July 1, 2018, FDOE facilitated training for 344 nationally certified YMHFA trainers representing school districts in all 19 SEDNET regions throughout the state
- All school personnel must be trained
- Overview of mental illness and substance use disorders, potential risk factors and warning signs, how to engage at-risk students and how to identify and encourage the student use appropriate help and strategies



Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Commission

Led by Sheriff Bob Gualtieri, group of 16 members who convene regularly to:

- Investigate system failures and
- Develop recommendations for system improvements



Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Commission

Recommendations include:

- Code Red Policies
- Locked doors
- Limited access to campus
- Designated hard corners/safe areas
- Train staff on protocols and procedures
- 1:1 ratio of SRO/Guardian on each campus
- Advertise and promote use of FortifyFL
- Dedicated threat assessment teams at each school with oversight by district for more serious threats
- Standardized, statewide threat assessment instrument



School Safety Specialists

Senate Bill 7026 provided a requirement for each district school superintendent to designate a school safety specialist for the district.

The school safety specialist is responsible for the supervision and oversight for all school safety and security personnel, policies and procedures in the school district.



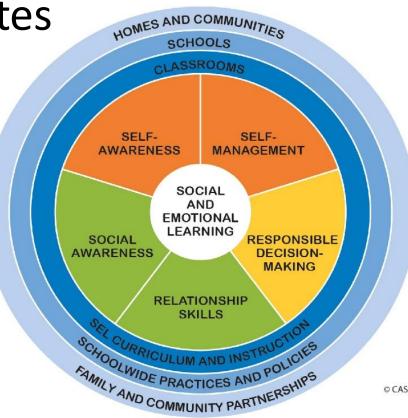
What's Missing?



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Positive School Climates

- Bullying Prevention
- Youth-led Initiatives
- Social Emotional Learning





Questions

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