

**FONTANA SCHOOL
POLICE DEPARTMENT
COMMUNITY SAFETY
FORUM**

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PRESENTATION TAKE-AWAY

- How can the Fontana Unified School District promote school safety?
 - **Training and Communication**
- What will happen if an emergency happens at my child's school?
 - **Public safety officials will make the situation safe and reunite families.**



PRESENTATION TAKE-AWAY

- **How will the Fontana Unified School District communicate with me?**
 - **Variety of ways, such as Connect 5 and social media**
- **What are the plans for the National School Walk-outs?**
 - **Please ask your student to stay in school and participate in on-site activities.**



NATIONWIDE STATISTICS

School-based threats and incidents have spiked across the country since the Feb. 14 shooting in Parkland FL.

- There has been a wave of copycat threats, as happens after nearly every high-profile school shooting.
- Since Feb. 14:
 - While there are on average about 10 incidents tracked across the U.S. each day, authorities are tracking nearly 70 a day.
 - There have been 797 total threats – 311 on social media, 119 verbally.



STAFF SAFETY TRAINING

- Police Services began creating a training course for certificated and classified staff.
- We produced an Armed Intruder Training video along with a lesson plan.
- Began implementing our training plan District-wide in 2017
- Completed training all staff members by 2018.
- Police Services will continue District-wide training and drills
- 4 lock down drills annually
- Incident Command System training



ARMED INTRUDER TRAINING

- Under extreme stress, it may difficult to remember complicated procedures.
- Fontana School Police Department trained our staff on a simple procedure for armed intruder incidents.
- A sample of the video is available for you to see tonight.



RUN - HIDE - PROTECT

- **Run** away from gun fire. Do not run towards it. Help others evacuate. Leave your belongings. When safe call 9-1-1
- **Hide** if you cannot escape. Lock the door. Turn off the lights. Silence cell phones. Barricade the door. Do not open the door.
- **Protect** yourself if you cannot run away or hide. Use anything at your disposal, such as a fire extinguisher.



DEPARTMENT TRAINING

- **DSO quarterly training**
 - **Weaponless defense training**
 - **First aid/CPR**
- **Increased firearm training for police officers**
- **CA Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training**
- **Taser Training**
- **Planned Training**
 - **Trauma informed care**
 - **Motivational interviewing**
 - **Problem solving**



STUDENT AND FAMILY TRAINING

- **Planning age appropriate training for students and families**
 - **Police Services staff already conduct lockdown drills and various public safety trainings at school sites. The new armed intruder training will focus on moving away from or hiding from the intruder.**



NEXT STEPS

- **Police Services is planning an age-appropriate armed intruder training for primary and secondary aged students.**
- **Planning a local symposium for our local law enforcement partners to discuss best practices for armed intruder responses**
- **Police Services requested assistance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation to develop a threat assessment training course for our district safety officers and police officers.**



NOTIFICATIONS TO POLICE SERVICES

- Students, staff, families, or community members notify us of a potential threat.
- Social media posts
- WeTip reports
- Writing on walls
- Partnering agency police activity
- Determine if lockdown is necessary



THREAT ASSESSMENTS

- **Anonymous threats, such as, writing on a wall**
 - Unidentified person and non-specific
 - Threat to individual or general to school site
- **Social media posts**
 - Source of post
 - Search for user identification of source
 - Search warrants
 - Contact source assessed as credible or not credible
- **WeTip Reports**
 - Sometimes more informative



SCHOOL SITE LOCKDOWN

- School site lockdown announcement, "Lockdown, lockdown, lockdown!"
- Get to the nearest safe place
 - If gun fire, run away from campus
- Once inside, lock the door.
- Turn off the lights, silence cell phones, and get away from windows
- Lockdown will only be lifted a police officer, district safety officer, or principal



THREAT INVESTIGATIONS

- Preliminary investigation
 - Collect evidence
 - Interview victims and witnesses
 - Attempt to locate the focus of the investigation
 - Assess the threat to school site or individual
 - Arrest perpetrator
 - Contact parents of involved parties



THREAT INVESTIGATIONS

- **Follow up investigation**
 - **Clarify victim's and witness' statements**
 - **Collaborate with partner agencies**
 - **Write and execute search warrants**
 - **Interview perpetrator**



PROSECUTION

- Prosecution
 - File criminal complaint with the Probation Department or District Attorney's Office
 - Additional statements or evidence
 - Process evidence
 - Court proceedings
 - Case disposition



SOCIAL MEDIA REMINDER

- Please actively participate with your student if they have a social media account.
- Learn and maintain their user names and passwords.
- Frequently check their accounts.
- Talk to them about what is appropriate, and more importantly not appropriate, to post on social media.
- Tell your student that if he or she makes a criminal threat on social media or any other media, law enforcement will arrest and prosecute to the fullest extent of the law.



EMOTIONAL SUPPORT

- **Work closely with the Student Services Division**
- **Collaborate on the socioemotional needs of involved parties**





PARENT NOTIFICATION

Fontana Unified School District will contact families when reasonable, appropriate, and in a timely manner.

Our primary duty is to make sure your student is safe.



PARENT NOTIFICATION

- Notification by the school site to an individual family
- Localized notification to school families through Connect 5 (mass notification system)
 - Email, text, and voice call
 - English and Spanish
- FaceBook
 -  Fontana Unified and Fontana School Police
- Twitter
 -  @FontanaUnified, @FontanaSchoolPD, @ChiefSissac



PLANNED STUDENT WALKOUTS

- We encourage all Fontana Unified School District students and staff to remain in school during planned walkouts.
- Fontana Unified School District has planned school site activities where students can exercise their right to voice their opinion in a safer environment.
- Fontana Unified School District has partnered with the city of Fontana and many other local school districts to unify our voices against school violence.



MARCH 14TH

- Fontana Unified School District encourages students to wear orange on March 14th to bring awareness to stopping school violence.
- School sites will offer a variety of opportunities for students honor the victims of the tragedy in Florida.
- Students may use a feature in Let's Talk to send written communications to their elected officials.
- Fontana Unified School District will be issuing We Care Cards to all students as resource guides to alert us to threats or if someone is in need of emotional support



TAKE-AWAYS

- Fontana Unified School District promotes school safety by training our staff and students and by communicating with our families. We will communicate with you when appropriate and in a timely manner. Your student's safety is our concern during an emergency.
- In an emergency at my child's school site, public safety officials will respond and make the area safe. Once the situation is made safe, public safety officials will begin reuniting students and families.



TAKE-AWAYS

- Fontana Unified School District will use a variety of communication methods to disseminate timely information to our families and community. You may receive a call, text message, email, or can follow us at our social media sites.
- On March 14th, Fontana Unified School district has prepared to offer students and staff opportunities within the school site setting to express personal views and opinions regarding school violence. Students are encourage to wear orange and write to their elected officials. Fontana Unified School District will also issue We Care Cards.