

# 2018 School Safety Survey

## Visit Background

In support of the Governor's desire to enhance the level of Vermont's school emergency preparedness, local, county and state law enforcement agencies are being asked to conduct school safety site assessments to review existing school crisis planning initiatives and security systems currently being utilized in schools across Vermont. Over the next few weeks, please make contact with the Principals/Heads of School in your areas to set up an appointment to conduct these school site assessments.

When conducting your school site assessment, please utilize this survey tool. We ask that officers familiarize themselves with the survey questions and supporting documentation provided to streamline your assessment work. Once these assessments are completed, please enter the data received during your assessments into the survey tool ensuring you "hit" the submit button at the end of each survey.

Please complete this survey by March 30th.

### \* 1. Visit Date

Date

### \* 2. Officer Contact Information

Name

Department

Email Address

Please select a school from either the Public School/Career and Technical Education or Independent/Tutorial School list

### 3. Public School/Career and Technical Education

### 4. Independent/Tutorial School

### 5. School Point of Contact

Name

Title

Email Address

### 6. Does the School have a School Resource Officer?

- Yes
- No
- Unknown

### 7. Does the School have access to on site mental health resources?

- Yes
- No
- Unknown

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### 8. Prior to the beginning of the school year, have faculty, staff, and students been educated about the school's emergency response protocols?

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

### 9. Have faculty, staff, and students been training in an [options-based response protocol](#) to a violent intruder such as Run/Hide/Fight or Alert/Lockdown/Inform/Counter/Evacuate (ALICE)? Check all that apply.

- Run, Hide, Fight
- Alert/Lockdown/Inform/Counter/Evacuate (ALICE)
- Civilian Response to an Active Shooter Event (CRASE)
- Other (please specify)

**10. Is the school currently utilizing the [Vermont School Crisis Guide](#) for their School Emergency Operations Plan?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**11. If not, has the school developed their own Emergency Operations Plan?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**12. Has the school considered those with mobility challenges in their Emergency Operations Plan?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**13. Does the school have a family re-unification plan designed to link up children, faculty and staff with family members after a critical incident?**

- Fully developed
- Developed
- In the process of developing
- Not developed
- Don't Know

**14. Does the school have a system to identify, report, and evaluate school threats or concerning behaviors, including threats made via social media, personal conversations, or observed behaviors?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**15. Has the school utilized the [Threat Assessment worksheet](#) from the Vermont School Crisis Guide? Check all that apply.**

- Reviewed
- Exercised
- Used for real event
- My school has not utilized this worksheet
- Don't Know

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**16. Which of the following items does the school utilize to control access to the building? Check all that apply.**

- Exterior signage which directs guests/visitors to the main entrance of the building
- Interior signage which directs guests/visitors to the main administrative offices
- Audio monitoring device at main access point to school to control access
- Video monitoring device at main access point to school to control access
- Greeter at main access point to school.
- Visitor management/badging system
- Remote key/FOB access
- Locked exterior doors during business hours
- Other (please specify)

**17. Is the school currently utilizing electronic monitoring equipment? Check all that apply.**

- External Cameras
- Internal Cameras
- Other (please specify)

**18. Does the school have [emergency go bags](#) in classrooms and office spaces that can be used to sustain occupants during an emergency?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**19. Are the school's exterior doors labeled on the outside to allow the easy identification by first responders during an emergency?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**20. Do interior doors to classrooms and office spaces have the ability to lock?**

- All lock from the inside
- All lock from the outside
- A combination of locking from inside and outside
- Our interior doors do not have the ability to lock

**21. Are evacuation routes posted in each classroom and all common areas?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**22. Do all first floor exterior windows have window shading that can be pulled down in the event of an emergency?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**23. Do interior classroom windows that allow visibility from hallways have window shading that can be pulled down in the event of an emergency?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**24. Does the school have reliable cell phone coverage on school grounds?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**25. Does the school have portable radios to enhance communication?**

- Yes - radios can communicate with staff
- Yes - radios can communicate with first responders and staff
- No
- Don't Know

**26. Does the school have the ability to make an external public address announcement that makes those outside the building aware of an emergency?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**27. Does the school have the ability to make an internal public address announcement that makes those inside the building aware of an emergency?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**28. Do faculty and staff wear identification tags/credentials during normal business operations?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**29. Does the school comply with the [Agency of Education and Division of Fire Safety's school emergency drill schedule](#)?**

- Always
- Most of the time
- Sometimes
- Never
- Don't Know

**30. Has the school communicated with parents/guardians about ["what to do" and "what not to do" during an emergency](#)?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**31. Which school emergency preparedness initiatives have local emergency responders participated in over the last year? Check all that apply.**

- Participated on your School Crisis Team/Supervisory Union Public Safety Team
- Participated in joint training
- Reviewed School Emergency Operations Plan
- Received a copy of the School Emergency Operations Plan
- Observed drills
- Site visit (outside of this visit)
- Other (please specify)

**32. Have building floor plans and maps of the exterior of the school building been shared with local Emergency First Responders?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**33. What type of school safety training would be helpful in enhancing the school's emergency preparedness efforts?**

- Incident Command Training
- Behavioral Threat Assessment
- Active Shooter Response
- Security Technologies - Emergency Trends and Contemporary Standards
- Developing a School Emergency Operations Plan
- Emergency Exercise/Drill Development
- Other (please specify)

**34. What security technology/systems could be used to improve the level of security at this school?**

**35. What additional comments do you have?**

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Thank you!

Thank you for participating in the 2018 Vermont School Safety Survey. If you have any questions, or would like additional guidance, please contact the Vermont School Safety Liaison.

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