



Parent Security Night Presentation



Introductions and Agenda

School Officials

1st Responders

Other Crisis Responders

District Safety Team

School Safety Teams



Communication Tools and Expectations

- Salida School District App (with white and purple “S”)
 - App: Download
 - Notifications: 2 places - in app for each school, AND in phone to allow notifications to push to home screen.
- Don't Come to School
- PIO
- Little info shared ahead of time for tactical reasons
- Little info shared after for criminal investigation

It's everything Salida Schools, in your pocket.



Download the **Salida School District, CO** app from the iOS App Store or Android Play Store and enable Notifications.





SRPs (Standard Response Protocols)

Prepared and generic response to generic situations—planning is different than responding to real and dynamic situations

School Website <salidaschools.com>

MENU

Under “Overview” <safety and security>

<https://www.salidaschools.com/page/safety-and-security>

HOLD

SECURE

LOCKDOWN

EVACUATE

REUNIFICATION

Reduce Dynamic Factors...Trained to make the more restrictive call if not sure.

Will we not always notify parents...time expectations...parental emotional needs are our last task...student safety is our 1st





Safe2Tell

- Both Police and School officials independently receive the reports
- Every single report is investigated
- The vast majority of reports are rumors or falsified information
- It is not uncommon for people to use Safe2Tell to get others in trouble, particularly adults against students they do not like.

Regardless of the effectiveness of the system, it is one more layer of protection.

IF YOU SEE SOMETHING...SAY SOMETHING



3 Highest Probabilities of Student Harm

- Suicide,
- Vehicle Accident,
- Abuse



Least Probable

- Natural Disasters, but we have planned for those in our EOP
- Active Shooter, largest anxiety

Statistics: 2022

Teen Motor Vehicle Crash Rates (Ages 15–19)

- Annual Deaths: Approximately 12,777 deaths per year.
- Rate: ~58 **deaths** per 100,000 teens.
- Total K–12 student population: Approximately 56.6 million students—approx **0.0579%**

Teen Suicide Rates (Ages 15–19)

- Annual **Deaths**: Approximately 2,000 deaths per year.
- Rate: ~10.5 deaths per 100,000 teens.
- Source: America's Health Rankings.
- Total K–12 student population: Approximately 56.6 million students—approx **0.0035%**

K–12 School Fire Fatalities

- Modern Era: Since the 1960s, there have been no major fatal school fires in U.S. K–12 schools.
- **0.0000000000000000% risk of death**

K–12 School Shooting Fatalities Incidents & Casualties in 2022 (not just teens)

- Number of shootings with casualties:
 - 51 incidents (Education Week)
 - Another source cites 40–51 incidents—difference due to definitional criteria
- Total people killed or injured:
 - 122 individuals across those 51 incidents
- Deaths:
 - 34 fatalities, including 28 children and 6 adults
- Injuries:
 - 88 non-fatal victims

Let's calculate the percentage of deaths and injuries per school shooting based on the entire U.S. K–12 population.

- K–12 student population (2022): ~56.6 million (public + private)
- Average per K–12 school shooting:
 - Deaths: ~0.67 or (.07 per 100,000)
 - Injuries: ~1.5
- **Deaths** per incident as a percentage of total K–12 population—**0.00000118%**
- **Injuries** per incident as a percentage of total K–12 population—**0.00000300%**



SRO Duties

- A School Resource Officer is a liaison to assist two different systems to respond together.
- Build Relationships with Students
- Help School Officials navigate scenarios when behaviors are Criminal. Not school discipline. Trying to help keep kids out of the criminal justice system.
- Respond to a crisis, in the same way as officers assigned to street duty.
- Tensions of Adolescent Behavior



Reunification Expectations and Drills

- Slow
- Bring your ID
- Follow directions
- Parent worry will not increase the speed of response
- Go over generic plan



Reunification Dates and Grades Participating

- Longfellow Elementary School 9/10 – Kindergarten
- Salida High School 8/25 – 9th graders
- Salida Middle School 8/26 – 5th graders
- The Crest Academy 9/10 – 5th graders
- Horizons Exploratory Academy 9/10 – 9th graders

Early Release for those buildings at 2pm...everyone else releases at 4pm

Expect a 2:30ish app message to begin reunification



Adolescent Drivers During a Crisis

- Stay Away–GENERIC
- Communicate
- Great Difficulty for High School
- Appointments (lockdown or secure)



Adolescent Phones During a Crisis

Accuracy is from one uninformed participant to an uninformed non-participant

You can offer your child calm. Which empowers them to engage the situation they find themselves in. You can offer them clear direction.



Teaching Courage

- How to help students stay calm and not respond emotionally...kids are watching
- “You Are OK”
- Slow down and control your breathing
- What are the facts, do not add to the facts...teach holding the tension of waiting
 - “That might be true, but we do not know.”
- “Everyone is doing their best. Be patient.”
- Emotionalism by students and families will distract 1st responders and school officials from getting through a crisis and completing reunification.



Social Media

- Only official press releases from the police, fire or school should be trusted.
 - What do we know
 - What don't we know
 - What are we doing to figure out what we don't know
 - When will we know what we don't know
 - Where will additional information be posted.
- Detailed information is only for investigators and victims, expect generic information. If you are allowed to know, it will be shared with you.
- Processing on Facebook



Making it personal

- What if it is my kid...
 - we will ask, we will investigate...
 - FERPA protects your kid, but not at the cost of safety



Adolescent Protective and Risk Factors

- Parents are still the number one influence on students
- Humans that are connected and can share with others are safer
 - By Name, By Need, By Adult
 - **Disengaged humans are at the greatest risk of harming themselves or others**
- Students that are participating in extracurricular activities are in a better space for safety



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