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SCHOOL SAFETY FACT SHEET



Any violence targeting children at school is cause for great concern. Recent incidents have again stunned our nation and brought forth numerous discussions questioning the presence of deadly weapons in our schools. These heinous crimes remind us all that we must remain diligent in protecting our students, administration and staff.

Hylant encourages all districts to regularly conduct comprehensive reviews of safety and security measures in place at each school building. The best defense against hostile intruders is a series of secured barriers starting at main point of entry. Additional barriers should augment this basic presence of security. Conversation among school officials, local law enforcement and other community first responders familiar with the District's School Safety Plan should be initiated as part of this comprehensive review.

- Secure the single point of entry to the building. Monitor this same entrance by initiating conversation with all visitors with the entrance still secured. Only allow visitors with valid business reasons into your secured vestibule.
- 2. Close and lock all classroom doors when students are present.
- 3. Augment traditional response plans through A.L.i.C.E., Run Hide Fight or other active shooter response options.
- 4. Enhance your emergency response alert system with panic buttons or other silent, instant alert mechanisms to local law enforcement.
- 5. Conducted a comprehensive review of current safety and security protocols with local first responders to understand typical response times and protocols.

