

SCHOOL SAFETY PLANNING AND RESPONSE

School safety is paramount in creating an environment where Michigan's children can focus on growing and learning. It's time we do more to enhance and expand upon initiatives to ensure stable learning environments for Michigan students. We must also work with other Midwest states for the timely sharing of critical information and investigative resources.

PREPARATION

- Schools will develop comprehensive school safety plans, including behavioral health policies, student reporting mechanisms, emergency response and building safety requirements.
- Require that schools be audited and submit incident reports to law enforcement.
- \$20 million for immediate and long-term, comprehensive improvements to school facilities.
 - \$2 million in Fiscal Year 2018 to secure schools that require basic security upgrades, such as functioning, locking doors.
 - \$18 million in Fiscal Year 2019 for school safety grants to strengthen buildings, improve lock systems, and upgrade communications to be prepared for emergencies.



INTERVENTION

- Ensure school teachers, administrators, other school personnel and families have the requisite training to identify when students are in need.
- Pilot a \$2 million grant program this year in which Intermediate School Districts can apply for a competitive grant for behavioral assessment training for their administrative and academic teams.
- Triple the marketing exposure of the OK2Say program as well as resources to address the increasing volume of tips from students.



RESPONSE

- Direct MCOLES to create a tiered training for school resource officers so that schools, staff, and parents have a better understanding of what is expected of a school resource officer.
- Direct MCOLES to develop a second, advanced standard for active violence response training into the curriculum for certified police officers.
- Incorporate best practices to improve local and state cooperation during incident response.



RECOVERY

- Work with local and state health agencies to ensure they are prepared to provide emergency counseling services to all those affected in an active violence situation.
- Provide guidance on training for teachers, parents, and administrators to identify when students and others might need help accessing resources after an event has occurred.
- Ensure the recovery component of school safety plans are robust in both the planning guidance and audit review process.

