

School Safety Resources: Lessons Learned

Can Schools Do Enough?

URL: <http://www.ohio.com/mld/beaconjournal/>

Source: Akron Beacon Journal – March 9, 2001

Abstract: Unlike previous school shootings, the reactions at Santana were swift and smooth, largely because of lessons learned by educators and law enforcement agencies since the Columbine High School killings in Colorado in 1999. Officials have spent countless hours and millions of dollars trying to prevent fresh tragedies, while also preparing for their seeming inevitability. The article is available in the Beacon Journal's archives.

Crisis in the Classroom: Can Your Schools' Security Pass the Exam?

URL: <http://www.nsba.org/nepn/newsletter/798.htm>

Source: Newsletter of NSBA's National Education Policy Network

Abstract: Contrary to the perceptions held by many in the public, media, and even within the education community, we do know some very important things about school security. Unfortunately, what we know is often not applied until after a crisis incident, and sometimes not even then.

Early Warning, Timely Response: A Guide to Safe Schools

URL: <http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/osers/osep/gtss.html>

Source: US Department of Education

Abstract: Overview of research-based practices: warning signs, safe responses, prevention, planning, dealing with a crisis.

Governors Columbine Review Commission Report

URL: <http://www.state.co.us/columbine/>

Source: State of Colorado

Abstract: This site contains the report stemming from the independent review of the tragedy at Columbine High School on April 20, 1999.

Jefferson County (CO) Sheriff's Department Report on Columbine School Shooting

URL: <http://info.jefferson.lib.co.us/columbine-cd/START.htm>

Source: Jefferson County (CO) Sheriff's Department

Abstract: This site contains a detailed timeline of the Columbine tragedy with recommendations.

Learning from Littleton

URL: http://www.salon.com/mwt/hot/1999/04/27/littleton_reactions/index.html

Source: Salon, Mothers Who Think, April 27, 1999

Abstract: Experts discuss the right lessons to be gained from the Columbine High School Critical Incident, as well as the wrong ones.

Police Adopt Terminator Approach to School Violence

URL: http://enquirer.com/editions/2000/08/29/loc_police_adopt.html

Source: The Cincinnati Enquirer – August 29, 2000

Abstract: This site contains information on the use of quick action deployment teams (QUAD) in responding to school critical incidents.

The Threat of Harm

URL: <http://www.asbj.com/199903/0399coverstory.html>

Source: American School Board Journal

Abstract: This site contains an article explaining why student threats should not be taken lightly.

Tragedy Response: Lessons Learned in Springfield

URL: http://www.nwrel.org/nwedu/spring_99/article2.html

Source: Winter 1999 - Oregon School Psychologists Association Bulletin

Abstract: This article overviews the May 21, 1998 school critical incident at Thurston High School in Springfield, Oregon. The article, written by a crisis response team leader, relives the incident and then describes lessons learned from the shooting.