North Allegheny School District

Student Overview Standard Response Protocol and ALICE

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ALICE Training Information for Middle School Staff and Students







Meet NASD's Chief of Police

Chief Harpster

Chief Harpster is the North Allegheny School District Chief of Police. His job is to assist in providing and fostering a safe learning atmosphere for:

- Students
- Teachers and Staff
- Administrators
- Parents / Families
- Visitors

Keeping everyone safe is part of his job.

Learning Goals

- Learn how we need to stay safe at school in the event of a crisis.
- 2. Review our NASD Standard Response Protocol (SRP)
- Introduce ALICE ~ Options-Based ResponseStrategies

Reviewing our SRP plan

Standard **R**esponse **P**rotocol





Standard Response Protocol

Our North Allegheny schools use specific SRP words helping everyone to know how to stay safe and respond different **Emergency situations.**

- SRP Posters are in every classroom.
- Let's review the specific words you may hear over the PA system or being yelled in the hallways for certain types of emergencies.

N EMERGENCY TAKE ACTION



HOLD! In your room or area. Clear the halls.

STUDENTS

Clear the hallways and remain in room or area until the "All Clear" is announced Do business as usual

ADULTS

Close and lock the door Account for students and adults Do business as usual



SECURE! Get inside. Lock outside doors.

STUDENTS

Return to inside of building Do business as usual

ADULTS

Bring everyone indoors Lock outside doors Increase situational awareness Account for students and adults Do business as usual



LOCKDOWN! Locks, lights, out of sight.

STUDENTS

Move away from sight Do not open the door

ADULTS

Recover students from hallway if possible Lock the classroom door Turn out the lights Move away from sight Maintain silence Do not open the door Prepare to evade or defend



EVACUATE! (A location may be specified) STUDENTS

Leave stuff behind if required to If possible, bring your phone Follow instructions

ADULTS Lead students to Evacuation location Account for students and adults

Notify if missing, extra or injured students



SHELTER! Hazard and safety strategy. **STUDENTS ADULTS**

Use appropriate safety strategy

Hazard Tornado

Evacuate to shelter area Seal the room Drop, cover and hold Get to high ground

Lead safety strategy Account for students and adults Notify if missing, extra or injured students or adults



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Safety Strategy

SRP - Standard Response Protocol



Sometimes it is safest to stay in our classroom or school building. You may hear adults say:

- "HOLD"
- "SECURE"
- "LOCKDOWN"
- "SHELTER"

Should we stay? OR Should we go?

Sometimes it is safest to leave our classroom or our school building. You may hear adults say:

"EVACUATE"

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NEW: There are additional OPTIONS to SRP by Learning



Options-based response strategies

Our NASD Safety Response **Protocol**







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Hazard Safety Strategy Tornado Evacuate to shelter area

Hazmat Earthquake Tsunami

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SRP+ ALICE Options

 ALICE options we will learn are not intended to replace our NASD Standard Response Protocol

 ALICE response-options increase the odds of survivability when SRP is enacted with ALICE options during a lockdown or an evacuation.

ALICE = <u>OPTIONS</u>

- Learning more about ALICE will increase survivability in a crisis (or violent) event by learning about <u>proactive response options</u>.
- Whether at the mall, in a movie theater, grocery shopping, attending a game, at a concert, in a restaurant we all have <u>options</u>.
- When ALICE response options are used, those involved with the crisis situation are empowered to *choose* the *best response option*.
- Seconds count during a violent incident, and our response between the time the crisis begins to when law enforcement arrives, are significant and can increase survivability.

Each letter in ALICE stands for an important safety action



ALERT

Alert is your first notification of danger. It is recognizing the signs of danger and receiving information about the danger from others.





If Evacuation is not a safe option barricade entry points. Prepare to Evacuate or Counter if neede





Communicate real time information on shooter location. Use clear and direct language using any communication means possible.





As a last resort, create noise, movement, distance and distraction to reduce the shooter's

ability to shoot accurately.





EVACUATE

When safe to do so, run from danger using non-traditional exits if necessary. Rallying point should be predetermined.



Each letter stands for something in ALICE, but they do not have to happen in order.

The adults' responses will be based on the information they know.













A = ALERT

ALERT

When you notice or become initially aware of something through any of your senses



To be **ALERT**, we use our eyes and ears to become initially aware of anything strange or out of the ordinary.

All individuals entering our school need to wear:

- STAFF badge OR
- VISITOR badge

If you see someone without a badge, **ALERT** an adult/teacher immediately!

IMPORTANT: When you see or hear something out of the ordinary, *ALERT* an adult/teacher immediately!

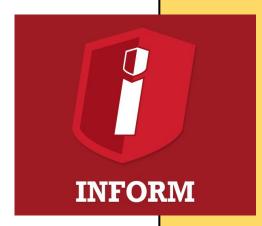
INFORM

- You inform an adult in our school immediately when you become alerted to something out of the ordinary.
 - Be as specific as possible
 - ~ time, description, location, etc.
- Then, accurate information is provided by an adult to the others in the building.



Inform an Adult in the Building

- Provide detailed & accurate information to the adult:
 - What did you hear? When? Where? Others around?
 - What did you see? When? Where?
 - Was it an intruder?
 - Did you see where the intruder was going?
 - What is the intruder wearing?
 - Can you describe the intruder?
 - Tall? Hair color? Hat? Shirt color?
 - If you saw a weapon, what weapon was it?





L = <u>L</u>OCKDOWN



Moving from Traditional Lockdown to

Enhanced Lockdown

Current Practice/Traditional Lockdown:

Everyone moves into a secure area, lock the door, lights out, quiet and do not move.



Enhanced Lockdown (ALICE):

Based on information received, you have more response options for an enhanced lockdown



L = <u>L</u>OCKDOWN

ENHANCED LOCKDOWN

- Listen to an adult.
- If adult informs you the class does not have time and/or opportunity to evacuate, the adult control the room.
 - Adult will lock the door and may begin to barricade the door.
 - Barricade the door =
 - Placing objects against the door to help keep it shut.
 - Adult may ask you to bring items over to use to build the barricade such as a chair or a desk.
 - It is up to you if want to or can bring something to the adult.
 - It is your *choice* and is one of your *options*. *It is not required of you.*



L = <u>L</u>OCKDOWN

ENHANCED LOCKDOWN

- Spread out around the room, away from windows and doors.
- Remain standing so if an intruder enters the room, you can run around the room.
 - This is not required. This is one of your response-options.
- Hold an object (ex. book, binder, iPad) to throw at and distract an intruder, if an intruder enters your room.
 - This is not required. This is one of your response-options.
- Listen to the adult in the room at all times.
- If you ran into a room that does not have an adult in the room with you, you can
 decide what you want to do (response-options) based on the information you have at
 that time.



E = EVACUATE

EVACUATE

Based on the information known, the adult (or you) may make the decision to exit or leave the area and the building.



EVACUATE - Similar to a fire drill/evacuation drill; leaving the building to go to a safer space outside.

When an adult/teacher tells you to **EVACUATE**, or leave the classroom, follow the adult/teacher directions to safely exit the building.

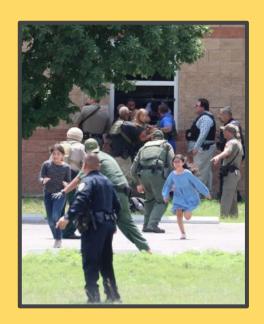
If you are not in a classroom or with an adult, use the safest and quickest route to **EVACUATE**, exit the building.

Once outside, move quickly away from the building. Report to your <u>rally point</u>, the safe space outside where you meet up with your teacher.

 Attendance will be taken to determine who is out of the building and who is in the building.

Evacuate through Windows





In the event the adult decides it is best to **Evacuate** the room through the windows, you may see the adult do the following:

- Instruct you to stand back
- Breaking the window
- Clearing away glass
- Placing jackets, sweaters, etc. over glass and window sill
- Instructing you how to climb out the window
 - Example: Feet first, backwards, and then hang to decrease distance of fall

Today's ALICE overview provided you:

- Response-Options that can be used based on the situation and comfort level
- Knowledge to be more alert and aware of the environment that you are in
- Options/Choices: The various response-options
 explained to you today are NOT expected requirements
 for anyone to carry out in the event of a crisis. They are
 options the adults or you <u>may</u> decide to use.

THANK YOU

for your attention during this overview of ALICE and the response-options.











By listening and learning the ways we can keep everyone as safe as possible, we will be better prepared because we are...