



Tabletop School Crisis Exercises

About SSAC:

The School Safety Advocacy Council (SSAC) was established as a collaborative partnership between education, law enforcement and emergency first responders. The council's primary focus remains the conducting of school safety assessments, school safety drills and exercises, as well as the delivery of training to school personnel and law enforcement.

The SSAC Staff and Advisory Board is made up of nationally recognized law enforcement executives, school administration and school safety professionals. The direct school safety experience of those who serve on the advisory and staff is unmatched by any other organization in the nation. With close to 300 years of direct experience in the school setting, our advisory board/SSAC has the knowledge to successfully complete any task or project. The unique composition of our team provides unmatched experience in all aspects of school safety and emergency management, including the consideration of special populations in the school setting.

Tabletop School Crisis Exercise Overview:

School Crisis Tabletop Exercises simulates an emergency situation for a school, its staff, as well as emergency responders in an informal, stress-free environment. Tabletop exercises are designed to elicit discussion as participants examine and resolve problems presented to them based on their existing school crisis management plans and defined roles.

- test the school's ability to respond to and mitigate an emergency/crisis by activating the school emergency/crisis plan utilizing the foundation of the Incident Command System (ICS) under the structure of a working crisis team
- develop appropriate strategies and responses in mitigating and resolving the emergency/crisis
- test the readiness, capabilities, and effectiveness of the school/school system emergency/crisis plan and crisis team
- build a level of cohesiveness of the crisis team in working together to respond to the emergency/crisis
- evaluate the school's response to the emergency/crisis

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