School Safety is always evolving..

- We are all learning and doing our best to make our schools as safe as possible.

- To do that we must be willing to change and use the best practices and technology available.

- Emergency Response needs to have a standardized approach.

- We are making a statewide effort to get us all on the same page.
• HOPEFULLY everyone is now using the “Threat Level” color chart provide by the Department of Education. (Posted in Classrooms)

• Now Required by Law Code of Alabama Section 16-1-44 "School Emergency Operation Plans."

• **CODE RED DRILLS** are now **LOCKDOWN DRILLS**

• Heightened Awareness

• **Secure your area of responsibility**

• Secure Perimeter

• **LOCKDOWN**
**Heightened Awareness**
(Get your Attention)
This means a potential MAY exist for an unusual situation and all parties should have heightened awareness to react as needed.
- Follow school’s communication plan for information.
- Limit movement to and from your classroom.
- Be accountable for all students.
- Be on the lookout for unusual behavior both in and outside of the school.
- Check exterior doors to make sure they are secure.

**Secure Your Area of Responsibility**
(Classroom, hallway, etc.)
Specific incident within your area of responsibility. (Medical, threat to self or others)
- Execute Alert methods.
- Secure all people within your immediate area. (May require you to move to a more secure area.)
- Lock or Secure doors.
- Monitor/use communication devices.
- May release by intercom or other personal contact.

**Secure Perimeter**
(On Alert)
A potential threat or danger does exist within the community/neighborhood and all parties should be aware to react as needed.
- Execute Alert methods.
- Secure all people within the building.
- Lock external doors.
- Cover windows.
- Stay in secure area within the building until further notice from administration or law enforcement.
- Monitor/use communication devices.
- Requires leaving unsecure areas such as fields, gym, playground, or library to a secure area.
- Continue with instruction.
- May release via intercom.

**Lockdown**
(Immediate threat)
Recognition of Danger. Take immediate action using the safest and best option for survival.
- Execute Alert methods.
- Secure yourself and others by assessing and using available information to decide if you should; HIDE (Secure and/or Barricade), RUN (Intelligent Escape) or FIGHT (Defend and Protect).

**HIDE:** (Secure and/or Barricade)
Lock doors, Lights off, Barricade entry, Quiet, Stay in place.

**RUN:** (Informed Escape)
Evacuate to safer location, Remain with your group. Call 911 when safe, Follow HIDE protocol.

**FIGHT:** (Defend and Protect)
As a matter of survival engage the intruder with any means necessary.

- Monitor/use communication devices.
- Release only by administration or law enforcement.

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*Intruder drills will be practiced throughout the year. Follow verbal commands as given. This is a learning opportunity for all school staff and students.*
RESPONSE TRAINING…

• All School students and staff should be receiving training on their response choices during an event and participating in Emergency Drills

• Should be Training, about the terminology, the tactics, and school infrastructure

• Making sure everyone is familiar with your alarm systems, mass communication/notification tools, & processes.

• Conducting Interactive “Scenario Based” Emergency Drills is key.

• Many of these concepts are outlined and provided by the Alabama Department of Education

• Regional/District Safety Coordinators

• Some infrastructure and/or training is provided through private partners as needed
DURING AN INCIDENT ON CAMPUS…

• We don’t want to have a LOCKDOWN ONLY PLAN…
• We want to use the "Threat Level" that is appropriate for the incident at hand.
• We want everyone to know what choices are available to them at each "Threat level" and react, based on real
time information that YOU are providing to them...
• The Proper "Threat Level" must be communicated quickly to everyone during an incident.
• This is where your PANIC ALARMS and MASS NOTIFICATION SYSTEM come into play...
• Tools like "Panic Buttons, Mobile Apps, \ Blackboard, Messengers, School-Cast" must be part of your planning
WHAT IS NSIDE | NOTIFY...

• ARE YOU USING YOUR MASS NOTIFICATION SYSTEM for Emergencies and Drills??

• nSide|Notify is designed to capture ALL messages sent from your local Mass Notification System.

• Your TPOC should make sure that the nSide|Notify numbers are properly entered into your Mass/Notification System (this ensures that nSide|Notify is receiving your messages)

• nSide|Notify takes those local messages, Classifies them with AI technology and then directs them to the proper state and local Intel or emergency services provider as needed. (Future nSide|Dispatch)

• Very important that you identify the Proper “Threat Level” at the beginning of EACH Mass notification that you send out.

• NEW! nSide Notify Dashboard: "GO TO DASHBOARD"  https://v2.nside.io/Notify-Dash.aspx
Alabama’s Emergency Alert System for Education (AEASE)
Powered by nSide|Notify
SOME CURRENT TOOLS …

• nSide is the primary private partner who has works with Alabama for years to provide all our schools with the tools and training needed to protect our schools.

• nSide|Notify = THE BEGINNING of New Statewide Emergency Communications Infrastructure
  
  (1st step to linking your EOP information and Emergency Infrastructure with your local first responders)

• nSide|Map = Electronic mapping & Emergency Operations Plans / Technical Training
  
  (most know it a VAS3 or Virtual Alabama)

This information needs to be as up to date as possible: (Not just you seeing it anymore)
CHANGES TO THE NSIDE PLATFORM...

• nSide: WHAT’S NEW on the EOP Section:
  
  "Central Office" Tab we have ADDED (Admin only) Add them in your “Documents Folder” MOU/TPOC
  
  MOU Section: upload all local School District MOU’s (SRO, EMA, etc.)
  
  TPOC Section: upload you Signed TPOC Letter (Already completed)
  
  Split Drills and Training Sections:
  
  Drills: "Add a Drill", (Lockdown, Fire, Severe Weather, Bus Evacuation)
  
  Training: You can now document ALL required training and upload files as needed, (Sign in Sheets, etc)
  
  Reports: This tab takes you to a detailed report of each districts Drills and Training viewable at the District level for each school.
  
  Functional Annexes Changes: under "General Emergency Procedures" Some Tabs have Changed:
  
  Added: "Heighten Awareness" & "Secure your Area of Responsibility"
  
  Combined and Moved: "Athletic Activities", & "Extracurricular" tabs and info under the "After School Activities" Tab
  
  Electronic Skill Survey: Digital survey link that is sent to phones or computer and updates directly to the nSide Platform
  
  https://nside.typeform.com/to/Y1QqwwZf
EARLY THREAT DETECTION IS KEY…

- ALSDE Regional Training Coordinators: Teaching, "Colorado Threat Assessment Protocol" NOW

- T/A is a very important part of Alabama's continuing plan to protect our schools

- There will always be more response to “threats” than “incident response”

- Having a process in place to help with early detection and awareness is critical to our school safety

- Threat Assessment Team made up of trained school professionals (Admin, Mental Health, & Law Enforcement)

- Alabama needs a management tool to help document and secure this information.
COMING TO THE NSIDE PLATFORM...

• **nSide|Assess**: (Threat Assessment Management)
  
  **BJA GRANT**: Partnership with ALEA/ALSDE and nSide
  This Grant will allow us to build a secure digital T/A management program
  Accessible On The nSide platform with your nSide passwords and access

• **nSide| Dispatch**: (Links your schools EOP, Floorplans and Live Cameras to local E911)
  
  **C.O.P.S. GRANT**: Partnership with ALEA and nSide
  This Grant will allow us to build a secure link between your Schools
  EOP/Emergency Alert/ Notifications System and your local E-911

• Show nSide|Dispatch Video  [https://nside.io/are-you-ready/](https://nside.io/are-you-ready/)
Alabama School Violence Prevention through Early Detection Initiative (USDOJ BJA)

The USDOJ COPS School Violence Prevention Program grant was awarded in October 2018 to the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA). The secure and consistent record-keeping practices can be maintained with controlled and auditable information dissemination and viewing for school officials, law enforcement, or other authorized intervention team members. Through the expansion of the existing emergency operations planning system, which resides in the school safety platform provided by nSide, Inc., the State of Alabama will accomplish the development of the threat assessment and crisis intervention teams, thereby identifying the most qualified and appropriate candidates. This will provide maximum effectiveness of the operations of threat assessments through the integration of record-keeping and secure information dissemination tools.
Alabama's Unified Rapid Alert System for Combating School Violence (USDOJ COPS)

The USDOJ COPS School Violence Prevention Program grant was awarded in October 2018 to the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA). The primary focus of the awarded application is to provide each 911 PSAP (Public Service Answering Point, aka “911 call center”) with a companion piece of software that gives immediate access to all floor plans, cameras, or other live data feeds to the 911 dispatcher when a 911 call is made or a lockdown event is sent through any system connected to nSide|Notify™, which will be any of the schools existing mass notification systems, panic/lockdown buttons, or mobile apps.
OTHER OPPORTUNITIES WITH NSIDE ... 

• nSide|Fleet + WiFi
  
  There is CARES Act Funding for Buss WiFi
  
  NOT JUST HOT-SPOTS: Adding WiFi opens other doors, Don't waste this opportunity
  
  Tracking, Cameras, future Tools not normally in the budget

• nSide| Live + ETS
  
  There is CARES Act Funding for "Elevated Temperature Screening"
  
  Adding ETS opens other opportunities
  
  Integration of older existing cameras, Future Tools "Weapon Detection, Access Control Tools"
THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO!