**Response Rate**

95% Overall  
98% Public  
88% Independent/Tutorial  

**2018 Vermont School Safety Assessments**  

- **Does the school have portable radios?**  
  - Radios can communicate with staff, 62%  
  - Radios can communicate with staff and first responders, 14%  
  - No Radios, 24%  

- **Does the School have a Family Reunification Plan?**  
  - Fully Developed, 26%  
  - Developed, 29%  
  - In the Process of Developing, 31%  
  - Not Developed, 13%  
  - Don’t Know, 1%  

- **64%** Have reliable cell phone coverage on school grounds  
- **49%** Have the ability to make an external public address announcement to individuals outside the building  
- **86%** Have the ability to make an internal public address announcement to individuals inside the building  
- **92%** Educate faculty, staff, and students on Emergency Response Protocols prior to the beginning of the school year  
- **80%** Post evacuation routes in each classroom and all common areas  
- **96%** Always/most of the time comply with the state’s school emergency drill schedule  
- **48%** Have emergency go bags in classrooms and office spaces that can be used to sustain occupants during an emergency  
- **56%** Communicate with parents/guardians about what to do and what not to do during an emergency  

- **50%** Label exterior doors on the outside to allow easy identification by first responders during an emergency  
- **70%** Have shared building floor plans and maps with local emergency responders  

- Which school emergency preparedness initiatives have local emergency responders participated in over the last year?

- **None, 4%**  
- **Other, 15%**  
- **Participated in joint training, 33%**  
- **Participated on your School/Supervisory Union Safety Team, 46%**  
- **Observed drills, 55%**  
- **Received a copy of the School Emergency Operations Plan, 55%**  
- **Reviewed School Emergency Operations Plan, 66%**  
- **Site visit (outside of this visit), 66%**
### Access Control

83% Lock exterior doors during business hours

74% Have a visitor management/badging system

73% Have exterior signage which directs guests/visitors to the main entrance of the building

71% Have a video monitoring device at main access point to school

63% Have a greeter at the main access point to school

60% Have interior signage which directs guests/visitors to the main administrative offices

59% Have an audio monitoring device at the main access point to the school

46% Have remote key/FOB access

1% have no access control measures in place

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#### Is the school utilizing electronic monitoring equipment?

- **External Cameras, 74%**
- **Internal Cameras, 53%**
- **Other, 15%**
- **None, 15%**

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75% Have window shading on all first floor exterior windows that can be pulled down in the event of an emergency

63% Have window shading on interior classrooms with visibility from hallways

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#### 85% Have a system to identify, report, and evaluate school threats or concerning behaviors

### Has the school utilized the Threat Assessment worksheet from the Vermont School Crisis Guide?

- **Not utilized, 42%**
- **Reviewed, 42%**
- **Exercised, 13%**
- **Used for a Real Event, 10%**
- **Don’t Know, 9%**

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Have Faculty, Staff, and Students Been Trained in an Options-Based Response Protocol?

- **No Options Based Protocol, 19%**
- **Alert/Lockdown/Inform/Counter/Execute (ALICE), 31%**
- **Run, Hide, Fight, 17%**
- **Civilian Response to an Active Shooter Event (CRASE), 3%**
- **All lock from the outside, 12%**
- **Do not have the ability to lock, 8%**
- **A combination of locking from inside and outside, 50%**
- **All lock from the inside, 30%**

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Do interior doors to classrooms and office spaces have the ability to lock?
What type of school safety training would be helpful in enhancing the school’s emergency preparedness efforts?

- Active Shooter Response: 74%
- Behavioral Threat Assessment: 58%
- Incident Command: 55%
- Emergency Exercise/Drill Development: 51%
- Security Technologies: 49%
- Developing Emergency Operation Plan: 42%
- Other: 5%

What security technology/systems could be used to improve the level of security at this school? (open ended)

- School Resource Officer: 2%
- Visitor Management System: 4%
- Planning/Training/Exercise assistance: 4%
- Panic Button: 4%
- Cell Service: 4%
- Physical Remodel: 4%
- Other: 5%
- Radios: 6%
- Audio Systems: 8%
- Communication/Notification Systems: 11%
- Window Improvements: 13%
- Public Address System: 23%
- Door Locking Systems: 43%
- Cameras: 65%

Additional Comments

11% Need assistance with Planning
5% Need a School Resource Officer
5% Need assistance with Training
4% Need money or items
2% Need assistance with Access Control
2% Need assistance with Exercising

“We are eager to work with first responders and others to improve security systems”

“Appreciation for the state for recognizing concerns in regards to the safety of smaller schools”

“I appreciate the work the DPS and the Governors Office are doing to inform and get their message out to the schools of Vermont”

“Appreciative of the focus on school safety”