



## Center for Critical Incident Response and Prevention

### Behavioral Threat Assessment

#### Description:

Since 2000, federal agencies including the U.S. Department of Education, U.S. Secret service, and FBI have recommended that K-12 schools develop and implement behavioral threat assessment teams to prevent school shootings and other school violence. This course provides instruction in school threat assessment best practices, guidance in developing and operating an effective school threat assessment team, strategies to allow information sharing, and hands-on experience using the recommended U.S. Department of Education / U.S. Secret service threat assessment procedures in several table top exercises. The course is appropriate for school administrators, faculty members, staff members, school resource officers, law enforcement / security professionals, mental health professionals, risk managers, and school board counsel.

#### Organizational Delivery:

This course is taught in a traditional classroom style delivery with lecture, power point visual aids, and participant group exercises for application of theory into practice. A course manual will be provided and will serve as the formal textbook reference for all participants.

#### Course Objectives:

At the conclusion of the training, participants are expected to know and be able to:

- Understand why school violence prevention is possible
- Identify the four functions of school threat assessment
- Know the elements of an effective school threat assessment program
- Conduct a school threat assessment inquiry and develop a case management plan
- Understand how information can be shared in threat cases
- Gain practice working through threat scenario(s)

#### Topical Content Agenda:

- I. Welcome Introductions
- II. Overview of School Violence
- III. Targeted School Shootings & Prevention
- IV. What is School Threat Assessment?
- V. Operating a School Threat Assessment Program
- VI. School Threat Assessment Process
- VII. Group Exercise: Staffing a Case
- VIII. Information-Sharing and Record Keeping
- IX. Legal Aspects and Implications
- X. Other Things We Can Do
- XI. Summary
- XII. Questions/Answers

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