

GUNS & School Safety

SURVEY QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES

1. How safe do you feel in your school?

Very Safe	25.6%
Safe	44.2%
Somewhat Safe	21.8%
Somewhat Unsafe	5.7%
Unsafe	1.8%
Very Unsafe	0.9%

2. How safe do you think your students feel in school?

Very Safe	22.4%
Safe	53.4%
Somewhat Safe	18.7%
Somewhat Unsafe	4.1%
Unsafe	1%
Very Unsafe	0.4%

3. Do you feel your school is a safe place from gun violence?

Yes	31.1%
No	68.9%

4. Has your school taken steps to increase safety in your classroom since the Sandy Hook shooting?

Yes	68.2%
No	31.8%
If so, what are they?	
33.1%	- Locking more doors
28.3%	- Adding additional security procedures
18.4%	- Conducting additional drills and practices of emergency procedures

10.4% - Increased measure of police presence (police drivebys, part-time armed guard, police cars parked out front, etc.)

7.5% - Strict halls (more staff in hallways, requiring visitors and staff to wear ID, etc.)

2.3% - New entrance (with increased security including buzzers, cameras, etc.)

(See attached excerpt of survey responses)

5. Prior to this school year, did your school have a safety plan in place in the event of an armed intruder?

Yes	90.4%
No	9.6%
If not, do you have one now?	
Yes	81.0%
No	19.0%

6. How likely would you be to bring a firearm to school if you were allowed to?

Very Likely	10.7%
Likely	6.9%
Somewhat Likely	10%
Somewhat Unlikely	7.2%
Unlikely	15.7%
Very Unlikely	49.5%

7. Do you own a firearm?

Yes	36.3%
No	63.8%

8. Have you been offered training in firearm safety or a concealed carry course from your school, district, or state since the Sandy Hook shooting?

Yes	3.4%
No	96.6%

9. Do you currently have armed police at your school during classroom hours?

Yes	36.9%
No	63.1%

10. Before the Sandy Hook shooting, did you have armed police at your school during classroom hours?

Yes	34.3%
No	65.7%
If not, does your school now have a plan to have armed police on site?	
Yes	15.0%
No	85.0%

11. Do you feel that having an armed police officer in your school would improve safety or make your school less safe?

Greatly Improve	22.6%
Improve	29.4%
Somewhat Improve	35.8%
Somewhat Less Safe	5.9%
Less Safe	3.5%
Much Less Safe	2.8%

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Sample of Survey Responses

HOW HAS YOUR SCHOOL INCREASED SECURITY SINCE THE SANDY HOOK SHOOTING?

Doors Locked

- Make sure all doors are locked at all times
- Doors are kept locked from the inside
- All outside doors and all classroom doors are locked at all times
- They have intentions of having our doors lock from the inside instead of just from the outside of the classroom
- Doors are constantly locked, and a small wooden block is placed in the doorway to allow the door to be closed quickly

Additional Security Procedures

- Increased security procedures and awareness
- Safety procedures which were already in place are now being enforced
- Discuss safety concerns, emergency procedures, look at ways to increase school safety
- We have an active shooter protocol
- There has been more review of procedures, and color-coded paper has been added to put in window to show what the need is if there is a situation

Additional Drills

- Practiced lockdown drills
- Practice drills for different codes (code red, code yellow, etc.) have been implemented
- Conducting biweekly drills
- Practice lockdown drills more effectively
- Increased vigilance and drills

Police

- Police presence periodically
- Extra patrol officers
- The county now requires the county deputies to drive by the schools at different times during the day
- Officer now carries a side arm
- Volunteers monitoring the doors, and police cars parked outside all day

Strict Halls

- They have increased the school staff in the hallways in the morning and afternoons
- Regular hall sweeps
- Require everyone in the building to wear photo ID at all times students and staff
- Heightened presence in hallways and attention to surrounding
- Requiring visitors to get a visitor's pass to be on campus, including parents

New Entrance

- Security entrance
- We have a new entrance where people entering the building have to be buzzed in by the secretary
- School put up a wall to prevent immediate access to our elementary hallway
- Added a door buzzer for people to let people into the building
- New doors in front entry