# FLAGGLER COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICE SHERIFF RICK STALY





# INCIDENT SURVIVAL

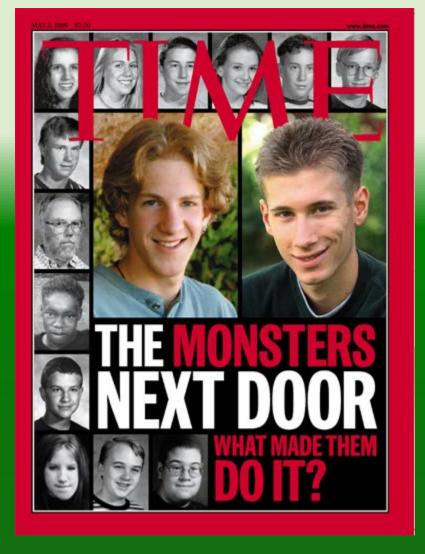
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#### **WARNING:**

This presentation contains material of a serious and violent subject matter.

# COLUMBINE HIGH SCHOOL





## The City Where it Couldn't Happen

Newtown, Connecticut
Sandy Hook Elementary
Population of 28,000 residents / 575 students

Parkland, Florida

Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School

Population over 32,000 residents / 3,200 students

Palm Coast, Florida
The city where it couldn't happen
Population of over 85,000 residents / BTMS 800+ & ITMS 900+ students

## WHAT IS A "SCHOOL SHOOTER"?

- Simply a "School Shooter" is a person who is trying to shoot and kill as many people in a school as possible, often for no particular reason.
- Historically, the attacker's goal has been to kill and injure without hope to escape.
  - In most cases this is a one way street for the attacker. He had no plans of surviving the incident.
- However, in some recent cases, Parkland among them, the shooter escaped and/or survived.

## Leakage: Communications of an intent to do harm

FBI Study of all school shooters: 100% engaged in some sort of pre-attack 'leakage'

- In every case, there was a missed opportunity to save lives, perhaps even their own or a loved one...
  - IF YOU SEE/HEAR SOMETHING SAY SOMETHING!!!
    - The life you save may even be your own!!

# Methods of Leakage:

- Diaries / Journal Entries,
- Social Media / Web-Postings,
- Doodling / Artwork,
- > Videos
- Human Interaction / Face to Face

Lives can be saved!!!

### SCHOOL ATTACKER CHARACTERISTICS

#### Often Suffers from:

- Depression or other mental health issues
- Recent traumatic experience
- Aggressive/explosive behavior
- Conflicts with other workers/students
- Usually targets victims of their own age group
- Victims of teasing/bullying

#### **Recent, Notable School Attacks**

VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE and State University in Blacksburg, Virginia. 49 (32 killed, 17 wounded). April 16, 2007

SANDY HOOK ELEMENTARY School in Newtown, Connecticut. 29 (27 killed, 2 wounded). December 14, 2012

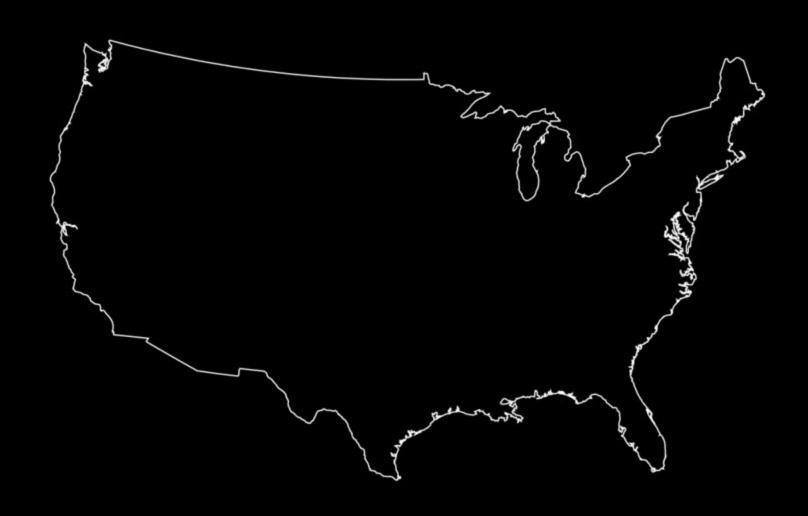
MAJORIE STONEMAN DOUGLAS High School, Parkland Fl. 17 Killed, 14 Injured . February 14th , 2018

SANTA FE High School, Houston Texas 10 Killed, 13 Injured. May 18th, 2018

#### Shooters shared most/all of the characteristics listed earlier

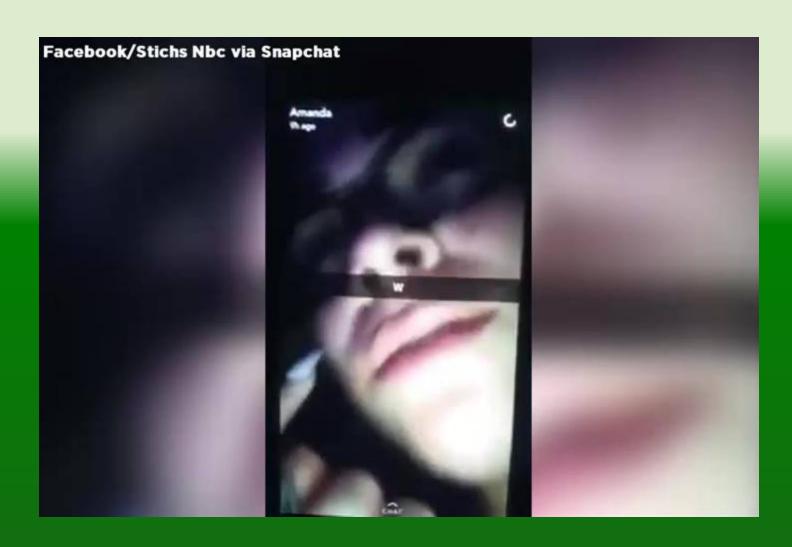
- Socially Isolated
- Mental Health Issues
- Victims of bullying
- Leakage.

## Deadliest U.S. school shootings



## Pulse Nightclub

Approximately 20 shots were fired before anyone realized what was going on.







# WHAT SHOULD YOU LOOK FOR?

- Look for someone/something that is "out of the ordinary"
  - Clothing not consistent with temperature
  - Large, awkward, or uncommon bag(s)
  - Unusual attitude or demeanor

- Unusual questions asked about your school
- Individual found videotaping or photographing school
  - Could be making attack plans..
- Individual found in off limits areas of location



## PREVENTION/PREPAREDNESS

- Know your shelter locations (thick walls, solid doors/locks, first aid kits, phones/radios, etc.)
- Know your school lockdown procedures.
- Know your <u>School Resource Deputy</u>
  - See something? Say something to him/her
- Think about what you would do...
- Don't discuss security plans or responses

# RUN









# ACTIVIE SHOOTER RESPONSES

## Run (Evacuate)

- Have an escape route and plan in mind
- Leave regardless if others agree not to follow
- Prevent others from entering the area
- Leave your belongings behind
- Keep your hands visible, listen to police
- Do not attempt to move wounded people
- Call 911 as soon as possible







### Mall Shooting, Kenya, Part I



#### Mall Shooting, Kenya, Video II



Evacuate if escape from the building is safe and possible.

Get far away from the area and seek cover behind a car or in another building.

Be aware of responding emergency vehicles and personnel.





- If in the hallways, get in a room that is not already secured and secure it.
- Don't run through a long hall to get to an exit you may encounter the gunmen or hostage taker.



If the Sheriff's Office has not arrived, move well away from the scene and find a safe place to hide. You will be directed to a safe holding area.



### <u>Hide</u>

- Silence your phone, turn off radios/televisions
- Lock and block/barricade door with furniture/office equipment, etc.
- Hide behind large items (desk, cabinets, copier, etc.)
- Remain quiet





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# Hide!



• Do not sound the fire alarm. A fire alarm will tell people to leave the building and place them in danger as they attempt to exit.



• *Turn* off radios, televisions and other audio equipment. Put cell-phones on silent.



- Get out of sight and keep quiet.
- Close blinds or block the window.
- Put cell phones on mute, radios and computers should be off.
- Get behind anything that could provide protection.
- Don't huddle together –spread apart
- Try to stay calm and remain quiet.





SHH! I HIDING

# Lock, Lock, Your Classroom Doors!

## It's Policy and can save lives







## Fight (Take Action)

- Last resort, and only when your life is in imminent danger, attempts to disrupt/incapacitate the attacker.
- Act as aggressively as possible against the attacker.
- Throw items and use improvised weapons (chair, stapler, pens, fire extinguisher, etc.)
- Commit to your actions.





# ACTIVE SHOOTER

The National average response time to a school shooting is 5-6 minutes. The average response time for the FCSO in 2018 is under four minutes in Palm Coast.

The Flagler County Sheriff's Office will respond as soon as possible and try to stop the threat as quickly as we can.



# TRAPPED WITH THE SHOOTER

(HOSTAGE SURVIVAL)

- If they are "not shooting" do what they say and don't move suddenly.
- If you are trapped with the shooter, don't do anything to upset them.
- If possible, build relationship with hostage taker humanize yourself!
- Only <u>you</u> can decide what you will or will not do to save your life or the lives of others.



# ACTIVE KILLER

- Try to remain calm.
- Your actions may/will influence others.
- Warn others of the danger.
- Follow instructions.
- Call 9-1-1: don't assume someone has already made the call.









## WHEN LAIW ENFORCEMENT AIRRIVES

#### Information needed:

- Your location; building name and room number
- Number of people with you
- Number injured and types of injuries
- Location, number of suspects, race/gender
- Shooters identity if known
- Clothing description, physical features
- Type of weapons (long gun or hand gun)
- Any other information useful to first responders



# WHEN LAW ENFORCEMENT ARRIVES K-9







## WHEN LAW ENFORCEMENT ARRIVES

- The first officers to arrive to the scene will not stop to help injured persons.
- They will move quickly towards the sounds of shots/screaming
- Expect rescue teams, comprised of additional officers and emergency medical personnel, to follow the initial officers.
- These rescue teams will treat and remove any injured persons.
- The teams may also call upon able-bodied individuals to assist in removing the wounded from the premises, or other needed support.







## WHEN LAS W ENFORCEMENT ASRRIVES

- They do not know if you're a threat.
- Follow directions exactly.
- You may have weapons pointed at you.
- Don't make sudden movements.
- Keep your hands empty and visible
- You may/will be searched.







## WHEN LAIW ENFORCEMENT AIRRIVES

You may have information that Sheriff's Deputies will need. Once you are in a safe place, stay put.



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# SCHOOL ATTACKS EVER INCREASING THREAT...

- School shootings are happening here in United States
- There will be mass chaos
- It **HAS** happened here in Florida
- Will it happen again??????

# QUESTIONS?



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INCIDENT SURVIVAL



THANK YOU