TOOLKIT ONE: ASSESS

10 TIPS TO HELP YOU RETHINK SCHOOL SAFETY





Practice...

off-site evacuations and drills. Students, staff, and parents default to their levels of training.



Prepare...

to step into each other's roles. Set up both in-house and district level teams to provide support during a crisis.



for reunification. Consider locations, logistics, and personnel necessary for securing and supporting reunification.



Implement...

simple measures. Even small changes (like updating locks & revamping visitor management) can have a great impact on school safety.

Consider...



how an emergency is announced. How many different ways can an emergency be communicated? Who is empowered to announce an emergency?



Review...

your communication channels. What types of tools and strategies are available to communicate during an emergency?





a recovery team. Set up in-house, district and community-based mental health supports before a crisis.



Restore...

Share...

a sense of safety. Attend to the community's needs for physical & psychological safety with visible presence of safety & mental health personnel.





Act and Audit. Rethink school safety with the Straight A Safety Model, an active and continual process for school safety improvement.



innovation and inspiration.
Set aside time to network and explore simple ideas & solutions with community members at safeandsoundschools.org.