

THERESA CAMPBELL

Safe and Sound Schools Speakers Bureau



Theresa Campbell is the Founder, President & CEO of Safer Schools Together, an organization focused on violence prevention and promoting a climate and culture of safety in schools. She is an internationally recognized authority and thought leader on the future of Violence Prevention, Threat Assessment, Digital Threat Assessment ® and Managing Traumatic Aftermath. She is a trusted resource to numerous school districts, law enforcement, public safety agencies, governments, and corporations that reach out to her and her team for their expertise.

Theresa is also the Executive Director of the International Center for Digital Threat Assessment and is a certified trainer and consultant with the North American Centre for Threat Assessment & Trauma Response. She and her team developed and implemented “Training for Justice System Personnel on Cyberbullying” for the Department of Justice Canada. In Chicago, she was awarded the prestigious Frederic Milton Thrasher Award for superior service in gang prevention. Theresa is a dynamic and innovative speaker and entrepreneur. With over 25 years of experience with educators, law enforcement and corporations, Theresa brings a wealth of experience and genuine passion to this work.

Theresa developed the first web-based anonymous reporting tool (PSST World) in 2008 to encourage students to get personally involved in ensuring the safety and security of their school. In 2008, she also established Safer Schools Together (SST), to provide opportunities for extensive professional development in the areas of safe and caring schools and violence prevention.

In 2012, SST was awarded the contract for the British Columbia provincially mandated ERASE Bullying Prevention Training Strategy for which, Theresa is the lead trainer. In addition to hosting training symposiums, SST has authored the Safe & Caring School Tool to measure the climate and culture of a school, as well as ensure best practices are followed and B.C. Ministry of Education mandates regarding school/student safety are met. Recommendations from each assessment are aimed at ensuring that positive programs and proactive measures to address bullying, drugs and fighting are implemented, or enhanced—ensuring students, staff and parents feel safe and comfortable in their respective schools.

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In her previous role as Manager of Safe Schools for the Surrey School District, Theresa was responsible for the conceptualization, development and implementation of many successful and comprehensive, evidence-based prevention and intervention programs, initiatives, and resource materials aimed at enhancing student and staff safety. Prior to the Surrey School District, Theresa spent 10 years with the Vancouver School District where she worked extensively with entrenched, at-risk and gang-associated youth.

Theresa is an executive board member of the Odd Squad, a charitable organization dedicated to drug and gang prevention education for youth, comprised of serving and retired Vancouver Police Department officers. Theresa has served as the executive producer of five award-winning gang prevention documentaries.