



FACILITY SAFETY AND SECURITY UPDATES AT SAU 16

1. We have collaborated with a company called Social Sentinel out of Burlington VT. This company is able to monitor open source social media for content that can be deemed violent and a potential threat to a building or staff.
2. The SAU TIP line has generated nineteen actionable tips to date in the 2019/2020 school year. When a tip is received, it is forwarded to the proper school administrator for any needed action. This tip line has been very successful in helping to identify potential dangers to our student population.
3. The SAU has offered staff and parents the ability to receive texts from the SAU to help communication during an emergency. As of January 2020 over 4500 staff and parents have opted into the system.
4. Through the use of grant monies, we have updated security cameras at the following schools:
 - Main Street School
 - Lincoln Street School
 - Cooperative Middle School
 - Swasey School in Brentwood
 - East Kingston Elementary School
 - Exeter Developmental Pre School
5. Major upgrades to radio communications with first responders have been completed at Exeter High School and the Cooperative Middle School. These upgrades have been the number one priority of SAU 16 for over a year. The system allows for better communication during an emergency.
6. Kensington Elementary Schools new lock down notification system is completed. This system allows the school to be placed in lockdown faster and from any location in the building. The school has also upgraded their communication system with first responders.
7. Additional key card readers have been installed at Exeter High School for outside door security.
8. Swasey School added automatic lockdown system and key card access for additional security of the school.
9. Newfield's Elementary School has added key card access to the four main outside entrance doors for additional security of the building.
10. CMS has upgraded communications in house with the purchase of 10 additional portable radios.



TRAINING

1. The SAU has committed to the concept of identifying and stopping threats before they become active. To this end, Behavioral Intervention Teams have been developed and are working at all levels of the SAU. There are currently four teams in the SAU that partner with school administrators, special education, school psychologists and law enforcement to identify and help at risk students.
2. ALICE is the SAU active shooter response training for staff and students. We continue to train any staff member that wants to participate and learn the ALICE system.
3. All schools in the SAU are required to conduct fire drills, active shooter drills and drills that deal with evacuation or shelter in place of our schools. Local first responders and the SAU Director of Security monitor these drills for compliance.
4. Tabletop drills have been completed at many of our schools, these drills help administrators to response to any number of potential scenarios. These drills offer the school administration emergency teams the ability to walk through and to train for a real emergency at their school.
5. We have collaborated with NH Homeland Security in the “See Something Say Something” program. This program encourages students, staff and visitors to call the authorities if they see something that requires notification to school officials or law enforcement.
6. The SAU in conjunction with the Stratham Police Department and Homeland Security conducted a large-scale tabletop that involved an active shooter at the Cooperative Middle School. The drill included over 50 local and state first responders from both police and fire. The drill tested the ability of all to work together as a team and to test their own plans.

SECURITY PLANNING/ FUTURE PROJECTS

1. SAU 16 schools continue to work with NH Homeland Security specialists to asses our schools for security and using their recommendations to plan for needed upgrades.
2. The SAU 16 School Safety and Security Committee meets three times per year to review emergency preparedness with State and local police, fire departments, Rockingham Dispatch, Rockingham Sheriffs, First Student Bus Company, and SAU 16 Administrators, Staff and School Board Members. This committee sets goals for school safety administrators to keep SAU 16 up to date on safety and security.
3. All SAU 16 Schools have reunification plans in case of an emergency at a school. These plans need to be tested with a live drill. To this end, the SAU is currently working on plans to conduct a reunification drill at CMS this spring.