Emergency Management for Schools: Key Resources

Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools Emergency Planning Web Site
Emergency planning is part of the Department's Lead and Manage My School series, a group of Web sites designed to support administrators. It offers emergency planning resources, grants, publications and more. Accessible at **http://www.ed.gov/emergencyplan.**

Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools (REMS) Technical Assistance (TA) Center
The REMS TA Center Web site offers additional school-based resources addressing emergency management through its four phases. Resources include three major publications series, archived training materials, referral links and the opportunity to pose direct technical assistance questions.
Accessible at **http://rems.ed.gov.**

Practical Information on Crisis Planning: A Guide for Communities and Schools
The U.S. Department of Education has developed this guide to provide schools and their communities with a general introduction to emergency management as it applies to schools and with basic guidelines for developing school emergency management plans based on the four phases of emergency management. Accessible at **http://www.ed.gov/admins/lead/safety/emergencyplan/crisisplanning.pdf,** or through the Department of Education's Publications Center (ED Pubs) by calling (toll free) 1-877-433-7827 or by e-mailing **edpubs@inet.ed.gov.** The publication ID is ED003416P.

The Safe School Initiative
The U.S. Department of Education and the U.S. Secret Service collaborated to produce two reports and an interactive CD-ROM that outline a process for identifying, assessing and managing students who may pose a threat of targeted violence in schools, as well as provide ideas for creating safe school climates.

1. *Threat Assessment in Schools: A Guide to Managing Threatening Situations and to Creating Safe School Climates*
2. *Final Report and Findings of the Safe School Initiative: Implications for the Prevention of School Attacks in the United States*
3. *Safe School and Threat Assessment Experience: Scenarios Exploring the Findings of the Safe School Initiative* (Interactive CD-ROM)

The reports are accessible at **http://www.ed.gov/admins/lead/safety/training/responding/crisis_pg34.html,** and the CD may be ordered from the Department of Education's Publications Center (ED Pubs) by calling (toll free) 1-877-433-7827 or by e-mailing **edpubs@inet.ed.gov.** The publication ID is ED002738C.

Tips for Helping Students Recovering From Traumatic Events
This brochure provides practical information for parents and students who are coping with the aftermath of a natural disaster, as well as teachers, coaches, school administrators and others who are helping those affected. Accessible at **http://www.ed.gov/parents/academic/help/recovering/index.html.**

School Preparedness Virtual Town Hall
The Department of Homeland Security and the Department of Education hosted a virtual town hall on K–12 school preparedness to provide an overview of grant opportunities, planning, training and other preparedness tools available to school districts nationwide. Accessible at **http://www.vodium.com/goto/dhs/schoolprep.asp.**