

# HOW TO EFFECTIVELY WORK WITH THE LOCAL DEPARTMENTS WITHIN YOUR COMMUNITY



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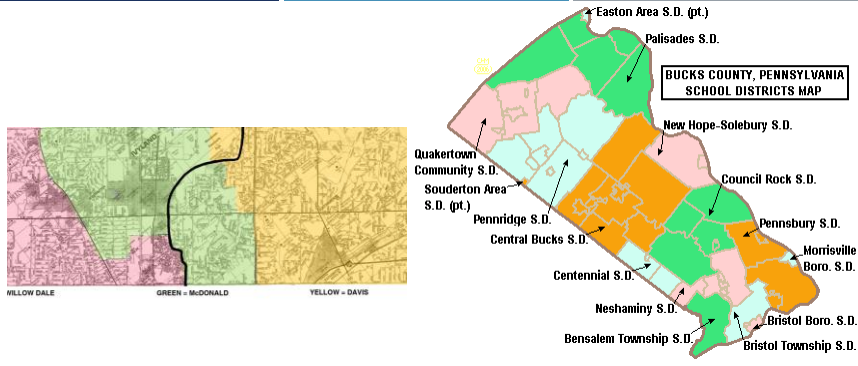
## BEST PRACTICE: KNOW FIRST RESPONDERS BEFORE AN EMERGENCY HAPPENS

- Check the state, county, and municipalities Comprehensive Emergency Management Plans. Identify hazards that may impact your school district.
- Review these plans to gain insight into the priorities you can expect agencies to take if a wide-scale catastrophe occurs.
- Augment the list you developed of work and community specific hazards that are facing your students, staff and administration.
- Ask to join first responder training exercises with schools.

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## CENTENNIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (BUCKS COUNTY)

What are your risks? Gas pipelines? Mass transit? Military assets?

# THE LOW COST SRO: FEED YOUR FIRST RESPONDERS

**Breakfast and Lunch Time Schedules**

<b>David Elementary School</b> Breakfast: 8:00am - 9:00am Lunch: 12:00pm - 12:30pm
<b>McDonald Elementary School</b> Breakfast: 8:30 - 9:00am Lunch: 12:00pm - 12:30pm
<b>Willow Dale Elementary School</b> Breakfast: 8:00am - 9:00am Lunch: 12:00pm - 12:30pm
<b>Clay Middle School</b> Breakfast: 7:30am - 8:30am Lunch: 11:30am - 12:00pm
<b>Log College Middle School</b> Breakfast: 7:30am - 7:55am Lunch: 12:00pm - 12:30pm
<b>Wilkes Township High School</b> Breakfast: 7:30am - 7:55am Lunch: 12:00pm - 12:30pm

**Breakfast and Lunch Menu available online at [www.centennial.org](http://www.centennial.org)**

**No Reservation or Pre-Order Required.** If you plan to join the mandatory breakfast and/or lunch, please come to the first office to sign up and show identification. Our office personnel will be happy to assist you.

Centennial School District  
10000 Centennial Blvd  
Morrisville, PA 19061  
[www.centennial.org](http://www.centennial.org)

**Centennial School District**

in Partnership with  
**Warminster Township Police**  
Upper Merion Station Police  
and  
**Yorkland Police Department**  
Members of:

**"It's Cool to Have Police at School" Program!**

**Police Officers are always welcome to Centennial Schools**

- Free breakfast and/or lunch with students (standing invitation).
- Walk the school halls and school grounds.
- Interaction available at all schools for clerical work.
- Patrol the school parking area.



**"It's Cool to Have Police at School"**  
Program

**Forming long lasting bonds**

Centennial School District has been enjoying positive news to engage police officers on the school setting as a way that is both motivating and allows officers to form long lasting bonds with our students.

In order to enhance professional and community relationships, Centennial School District is proud to announce a partnership aimed at increasing officer presence in our schools while enhancing the positive relationships between police officers and the district students, faculty, and staff members.

Edwards to feel well be safe for learning to occur. Police officers are frequent road and every day in the absence of an emergency.



**Beginning May 1, 2015 there is a standing invitation with the police department of Warminster, Upper Merion Station, and Yorkland. Police officers are always welcome to come have breakfast and/or lunch at the school cafeteria with the students at 10:00am to 12:00pm for police officers in police departments.**



**Patrol the School Parking Lots**

If officers are too busy to be available, walk the halls in the cafeteria, they are encouraged to patrol the school parking lot and stay in for a quick "happy" breakfast and/or lunch to go.

**Workshops Available**

The officers will also be provided a small workshop in which about the day use allow to complete reports and perform other clerical tasks that would otherwise require the officer to return to police headquarters. It is expected to see that the officers are not to use the workshop to conduct paperwork and will not bring weapons, radios or weapons into any school. The workshop is only for regular clerical work.

**Daily Police Presence at Schools**

One of the goals of this program is for police presence to be a daily presence at all of our schools. It is a great opportunity for police officers to be more visible in the schools and for students to get to know the officers as people. The visit for students, teachers and parents to recognize the officers. Officers meet with faculty members, who can see a positive law enforcement role model in action.

**Walk the halls - Walk the grounds**

These are the first office and security personnel know you are in the building by checking in. It's important for first office because you are in or around the building. It will also reassure parents that they are all. We want everyone to have officers are at the school be readily visible as a daily presence.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

- Fire safety checks.
- Review your fire response plan.
- Observation of an evacuation or shelter-in-place exercise.
- Training programs for students and staff on the use of fire extinguishers.



Westmoreland County Fire Authority (WCA)  
401 Gibson Ave  
Westmoreland, PA 15314  
Fire Dept. Violation Notice

February 8, 2017

WCA Fire Department  
100 Westmoreland Ave  
Westmoreland, PA

Compliance, as required by your facility on Form E, 2017 needed to return.

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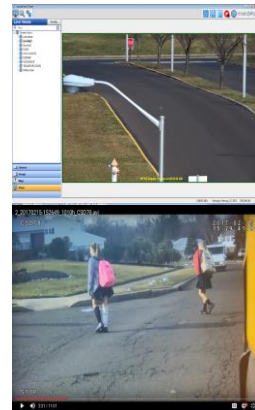
  
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## LAW ENFORCEMENT

- A security survey covering locks, lighting and access routes to your campus.
- Information on the level of crime in the area. Report suspicious activities.
- Parking and areas to avoid especially at night.
- Recommendations for students, staff and guest safety in and around your campus.
- How to deal with disgruntled/dismissed staff members or students, (or worse).

## ASSET TARGET HARDENING

- Facilities: bollards/fences around key equipment, cameras, security vestibules, and visitor management software. The pan/tilt/zoom (pictured) here was taken at 300 yards.
- Transportation: GPS, cameras with video and audio on the bus, stop arm cameras (pictured), and two-way radios.



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## EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE/HOSPITALS

- First aid and CPR training.
- Programs dealing with medical emergencies on campus.
- Health screening programs.
- No cost/low cost public awareness seminars on health issues (e.g., stress).



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## OTHER RESOURCES

- County Health Department
- Insurance Carriers
- Intermediate Unit
- Municipal Authorities
- Red Cross
- Transportation Agencies
- US or PA Homeland Security



## ANNUAL ALL-HAZARDS PLAN REVIEW

- Make the plan review a scheduled priority over the summer, preferably July.
- Review, verify and update contact information to include names, titles, addresses, phone numbers and email addresses.
- Plans are living documents that should be reviewed and updated annually to reflect current tactics, techniques, and procedures.

## CHAPTER 10: SAFETY DOCUMENTS

- Required by law (Safe Schools Chapter 10, 10:24).
- Include Information as part of all new and renovation projects.
- Floor plans/blue prints.
- Aerial photos with adjacent properties and roads.
- Command post location identified on floor plan (predetermined).
- Current staff/teacher rosters.
- Most recent student yearbooks.
- Fire alarm shut off location and procedures.
- Sprinkler system shut off location and procedures.
- Gas/utility line layout, shut off valve location.
- Cable/satellite TV shut off location and procedures.
- Other pertinent information.

## BEST PRACTICE: QUICKLY AND CLEARLY BRIEF FIRST RESPONDERS DURING AN EMERGENCY

- What, when, where?
- In the event of a fire:
  - Tell responders if anyone is still in the building, their location, and if they need assistance.
  - Be prepared to state if utilities such as gas and electric have been shut off.
  - If hazardous or flammable materials stored onsite, notify fire officials as to location. If Materials Safety Data Sheets are available, present them.



## OTHER ACTIONS DURING AN EMERGENCY

- If a medical emergency, provide arriving EMS personnel with as much detail as possible on the person's condition.
- If a criminal activity, provide the police with detailed descriptions of the people involved, their location, and the nature of the event.
- Wait for the site to be declared safe to re-enter.
- Remember that first responders are not always responsible for restoring services on your campus.

# Questions?

