



# **STATE OF SCHOOL SAFETY FOR THE BEXLEY CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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## Facts:

- ★ Schools are safe.
- ★ Prevention vs Deterrence & everywhere in between
- ★ District/School Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) are approved by the Ohio Department of Education/Homeland Security. They are not Public Records.



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## Facts (Cont):

- ★ We Can't Script Every Crises
- ★ Police Here in Two-Minutes or Less
- ★ Average School Threat Situation Lasts approximately 12 Minutes.



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## HISTORY

2001-2017

1. Drilled: Fire, Tornado, Modified Lock-Down, Lock-Down, & Stay Put.
2. Installed Quick Locks on Classroom Doors
3. Installed Visitor Management System
  - Doors locked during school day (except for lunch) and weekends. Unlocked after school.



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## HISTORY

2017-2018 (Post Parkland)

- BHS/BMS students surveyed. Students felt safe during the school day but not so after school.



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## HISTORY

2018-2019

- Dr. Miller and BoE approves new Director of Operations position.
- Piloted Keypad Entry System for staff and students
- Worked with Safety and Security Experts to audit each campus.



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## Safety and Security Audit Results

Identified our five greatest assets to be:

1. Door locking systems
2. Mesh Windows and Film installed
3. Frequent Drills and AAR (debrief)
4. Culture
5. Close proximity to Bexley PD



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## Safety and Security Audit Results

1. Need Lock-Down PLUS Options
2. Need Adjustments to Tornado Drills
3. Need Adjustments to Fire Drills
4. Need to Enhance Alert System
5. Need Plan for Extra-curricular Events
6. Continue to Focus on Staff/Students Training
7. Need Plans to Support Staff/Students with Special Needs
8. Need Communication Plan





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Present 2019-2020

Developed and Implemented a Comprehensive Fire Drill Schedule.

- Unannounced drills
- Scenarios included in drills
- All in one location
- Roll Call and Hall Sweepers
- Established Rally Points for staff/students with disabilities



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Present 2019-2020

Identified Tornado Safe Areas and Marked with Signs

- Oral Instructions and Practical Drills are include in our Emergency Drill Schedule



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Present

2019-2020

Established Building Level Threat Assessment and Safety Teams.

- Trained on Lock-Out, Take-Out, Get-Out
- Trained on Bleed Control
- Trained on Threat Assessment and the importance of School Culture



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Present

2019-2020

Purchased and Installed Additional Keypads  
at Montrose and Maryland

Purchased New Visitor Management System  
at Maryland and Montrose



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Present

2019-2020

## Communication and Alerts

- Microwhistles and Green/Red Badges for Staff
- Internet-based Alarms are being Investigated
- Digital Radio/Walkie-Talkies are being purchased with PI funds
- Safety Plan Basics are Shared with Coaches, Subs, and Volunteers



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## School Intruder/Threat

### Staff Goals (Applies to all Crises):

1. Protect Students
2. Don't Make Matters Worse

# Bexley City Schools Crisis Response Levels

## Lockdown

Is there a threat  
inside  
the building?

**Lock Out -** Gather people into a room. Lock and barricade door.  
**Get Out -** If able to avoid the threat, leave building and go to rally point.  
**Take Out -** As a last resort, you may attack the threat if you choose.

Have your phone on silent, messages will be sent when threat is over.

Never unlock door - we have a key.  
When prompted, slide a red card under your door if someone is injured and a green card if not.

## Reverse Evacuation

Is there a law  
enforcement  
event  
happening  
outside?

**Move staff and students inside the building.**  
**Send message to parents explaining the emergency and advise no one may enter or exit the building until ALL CLEAR.**

## Shelter In Place

Is there  
a  
weather  
hazard  
outside?

**Move staff and students inside the building.**  
**If tornado related, move to tornado safe area.**

## Stay Put

Is there a  
crisis requiring  
halls  
to be clear?

**Students and staff remain in room until incident is over.**