The School Safety Survey

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**Essential Questions for School Safety Planning**

Choose a minimum of 5 staff, including 1 administrator, 1 custodial staff member, 1 supervisory/classified member, 1 certified member and 1 office staff member, to complete this survey. Please place a check (**X**) next to the item that best reflects your opinion for each question. Your responses will be valuable in determining training and support needs related to school safety and violence prevention.

**School Name: Date:** / /

**District: Your Role:**

1. Administrator
2. Teacher
3. Special Education Teacher
4. Educational Assistant
5. Office Staff
6. Custodial Staff
7. Related Service Provider
8. Student
9. Parent
10. Community Member

**State:**

**Rating**

on’t know

Deteriorating condition of the physical facilities in the school.

Incidence of bullying, intimidation, and harassment.

Fights, conflict, and assault.

Illegal drug and alcohol use.

Crimes (e.g. theft, extortion, hazing).

Poverty.

Trespassing on school grounds.

Child abuse in the home.

Parents withdrawing students from school because of safety concerns.

Students adjudicated by the court.

Student suspensions and/or expulsions.

Truancy.

Gang activity.

Graffiti.

High student mobility (i.e. frequent changes in school enrollment).

Vandalism.

Illegal weapons.

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**Indicate the extent to which these factors exist in your school and neighborhood:**

11. Other **Section One: Assessment of Risk Factors for School Safety and Violence**

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| **Section Two: Assessment of Protection Factors for School Safety and Violence** | | | | | |  |
| **Indicate the extent to which these factors exist in your school and**  **neighborhood:** | **Rating** | | | | | |
| not at all | minimally | moderately | extensively | don’t know | |

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| Opportunity for extracurricular programs  and sports activities. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Professional development and staff  training. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Crisis and emergency response plans. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Consistently implemented school-wide  discipline plans. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Student support services in school (e.g. counseling, monitoring, support team  systems). |  |  |  |  |  |
| Parent involvement in our school (e.g. efforts to enhance school safety,  student support). |  |  |  |  |  |
| Student preparation for crises and  emergencies. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Supervision of students across all  settings. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Suicide prevention/response plans. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Student participation and involvement in  academic activities. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Positive school climate for learning. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Acceptance of diversity. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Response to conflict and problem solving. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Collaboration with community resources. |  |  |  |  |  |
| High expectations for student learning  and productivity. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Effective student-teacher relationships. |  |  |  |  |  |

**Section Three: Your Comments on School Safety and Violence**

1. What is the most pressing safety need in your school?
2. What school safety activities does your school do best?
3. What topics are most important for training and staff development?
4. What are the biggest barriers to improved school safety measures?
5. What other comments do you have regarding school safety?
6. What other factors not included in this survey do you believe affect school safety?