

Did You Know?

- A multi-hazard emergency operations plan based on four phases
- Mandatory drills for staff and students
- School safety security audits
- Criteria and standards for new facilities and major renovations
- Understanding of NIMS, ICS, and NRP

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What's Lacking?

- Lack of <u>Discipline</u>
- Lack of *Direction*
- Lack of *Positive Value System (Saggin)*
- Lack of Spiritual Foundation
- Lack of *Nutrition* (poor diet)



An Overview Of School Violence

- When did it (school Violence) start? The 1950's
- The differences between the youth of today, and youth of 50's & 60's
- Their Influences
- The Prom
- How they handle conflict

Overview Continued

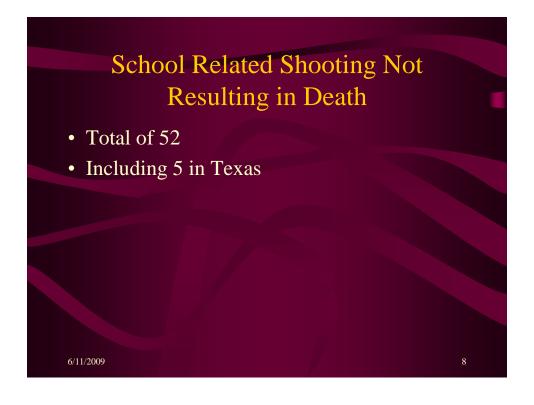
- The (*National School Boards Association*) in <u>1994</u> did a survey of <u>1,216 administrators: 54%</u> of suburban & <u>64%</u> of urban school officials reported <u>more violent acts</u> in their schools than the previous five years.
- *Big Cities and Small Towns* This issue affects us all.
- The <u>80-15-5 Rule</u> (Curwin & Mendler, 1988)

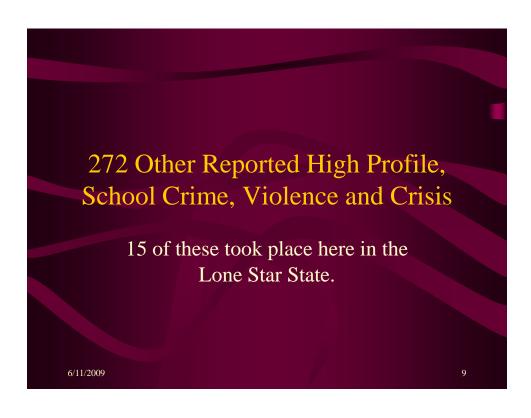
Threats and Injuries

- In 2003, 9% of students reported being threatened or injured with a weapon.
- 2003- 12% of males threatened or injured compared to 6% or females.
- The higher the grade level, the lower the percentage of these types of threats.

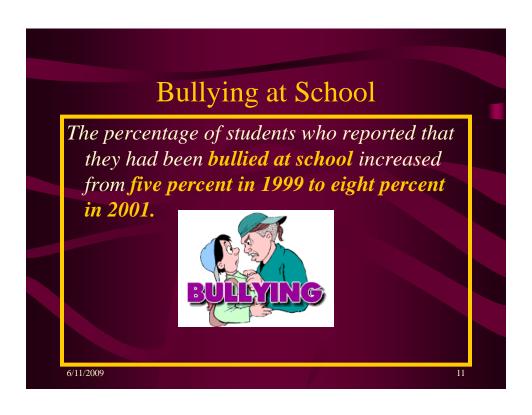
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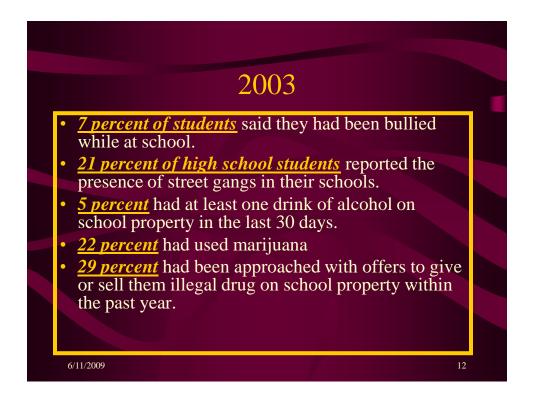
















Who Are The Victims?

- Students
- Teachers

From <u>1999 to 2003</u>, annually teachers were victims of approximately 183,000 total nonfatal crimes at school, including 119,000 thefts and 65,000 violent crimes (rape, sexual assault, aggravated assault, robbery, and simple assault).

More Teacher Statistics

- From <u>1999-2003</u>, senior high school and middle/junior high school teachers were *more likely victims of violent crimes than elementary teachers*.
- Urban teachers were more likely to be victims of violent crimes than rural and suburban teachers.
- Male teachers more likely to vice than female teachers.

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Statistic continued.. Among the violent crimes committed against teachers during this 5 year span, there were about 7,000 serious violent crimes annually, including rape, sexual assault, robbery, and aggravated assault. Averaging about 39 crimes per 1000 teachers, including 25 thefts, and 14 violent crimes.



Life is Fleeting

- And has a way of leveling the playing field
- We're getting older, Nursing Home?
- You might need Triple AAA

What they are going to remember is how you treated them.

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On Positive Side

From 1993 to 2003 the number of high school students who reported carrying a gun or a knife to school dropped to 6 percent from 12 percent.

Among students 12-18 years old who reported being bullied in 2003, the highest rate, 10 %, was at schools in rural areas. 7% at urban and suburban and 5% at private schools.

Source: Bureau of Justice Statistics, Department of Education and the National Crime Victimization Survey

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5 Myths About Youth Violence and School Safety

- 1. Juvenile violence is increasing
- 2. Juveniles are more violent than adults
- 3. School Violence is increasing
- 4. School homicides are increasing
- 5. There is a realistic possibility of a student perpetrated homicide at your school

Source: The Virginia Youth Violence Project

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School Violence: Where does it Happen?

- Under staircases
- Unsupervised classrooms
- Restrooms
- Gymnasiums
- Lockers
- Cafeterias/Lunchrooms
- Parking lots



The Perpetrators: Who Commits the crimes? What Causes A student There are two types of to behave in a violence committed by Violent manner? perpetrators in * An accidental bump schools. * To think someone is Violence by weak or a nerd trespassers * A look or stare Violence by enrolled * Dislike for A person students * Gossip 6/11/2009

What Else? Peer Pressure Dating Violence (Jealousy & Control Issues Feeling slighted or "dissed" (disrespected) Actually a Common denominator in extreme cases of violence that have occurred in the country

School Safety Strategies Staff Monitoring and Teacher Crisis Guards Meetings Parents as Monitors and Teacher Team Teachers' Aides Meetings Discipline & Dress Codes Extended School Counseling Programs Hours Conflict Resolution Classes for Parents Programs Crisis Centers Additional Strategies 6/11/2009



Conclusion

Practice makes Improvement (Improve our work efforts)

Don't make an excuse, make and effort

Improve children while you have a chance

We've got to go into the orchard!

Never Give up on a Child

Resources

- National Crime Victimization Survey
- National Center for Education Statistics
- U.S. Department of Education
- U.S. Department of Justice
- Center for Disease Control
- The Virginia Youth Violence Project
- Visionary Leaders Institute

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