

Local emergency
responders and law
enforcement

Safe school
activities

Law enforcement officials and school administrators have the same goal in mind—safer schools and secure learning environments. Here are some activities law enforcement and emergency responders can conduct to help.

- ❑ Coordinate practice emergency drills. Administer regular lock down and weather emergency drills with staff, parents, and local law enforcement.
- ❑ Coordinate with the PTO/PTA. Plan a meeting during safe school week specifically to discuss the school's crisis response plans with parents and staff.
- ❑ Conduct a risk management or safety assessment. Ask your local law enforcement agency personnel to conduct a school safety/risk assessment. This procedure will validate safety concerns and help establish response strategies.
- ❑ Offer fingerprinting for young children. Work with law enforcers and parents to fingerprint young children as a safety measure. Fingerprinting can be done at a school, during a school carnival or festival, or at any community event. The prints then are given to the parent or guardian.
- ❑ Issue child safety ID cards. Set up a booth at school events/festivals to issue child ID cards. For more information go to www.kidsafeid.com.
- ❑ Conduct safety presentations. Visit the schools and make presentations on child safety, drug abuse prevention, and juvenile justice practices.
- ❑ Coordinate a student/staff Ride Along program. Students and staff members can ride along with officers on their beat, fostering respect and instilling confidence.