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To: District Superintendents of BOCES
Superintendents of Public School Districts Outside NYC
Principals of Public Schools Outside NYC
Superintendents and Principals of State-Operated Schools
Charter School Leaders

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Subject: Information about safety and emergency planning resources for schools and districts and upcoming trainings

The Department and the New York State Center for School Safety (CFSS) have developed resources and videos to assist schools in developing their required safety plans, available at <https://www.nyscfss.org/school-safety-in-ny>. In addition, live and virtual trainings are being offered this summer as described below.

Training Name and Description	Location
<p>Proposed Changes to Commissioner's Regulations 155.17</p> <p>Participants will be provided with an overview of proposed changes to the New York State Commissioner's Regulations on School Safety Plan requirements (CRR 155.17). Time will be provided for questions.</p> <p>Tuesday July 30th from 9 – 10:30 am</p> <p>Thursday, June 27, 2024, 9:00 am – 10:30 am</p>	Virtual
<p>Developing Functional Annexes and Conducting Tabletop Exercises</p> <p>What does a school need to develop functional annexes and test their effectiveness? How do functional annexes and tabletop exercises support emergency planning in my school or district? Participants will explore steps that can be taken to enhance their safety planning.</p>	Virtual

<p>Tuesday, July 16, 2024, 9:00 am – 11:00 am</p>	
<p>I Love U Guys SRP/SRM Full Day Train the Trainer Workshop</p> <p>The Full-Day Workshop introduces the New York edition of the Standard Response Protocol (SRP) and Standard Reunification Method (SRM), including implementation of the programs, team training, and questions.</p> <p>Participants will come away from this workshop able to train others within their organization on the SRP and the SRM.</p> <p>Thursday, July 18, 2024, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm (in person)</p> <p>Tuesday, August 13, 2024, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm (in person)</p> <p>Monday, September 30 & Tuesday, October 1, 2024, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm (two-day, livestream training session)</p>	<p>In Person (July and Aug): Empire State Plaza Convention Center, Albany, NY</p> <p>Sept 31-Oct 1 session is virtual</p>
<p>Conducting Trauma-Informed Drills</p> <p>This session will explore the actions that can be taken before, during, and after evacuation and lockdown drills. Participants will explore strategies that will ensure drills are an opportunity to practice and prepare staff & students, establish procedures to be used during an emergency, and test operations.</p> <p>Thursday, August 8, 2024, 9:00 am – 11:00 am</p>	<p>Virtual</p>

Thank you for all you do to keep students and staff safe every day. If you have questions about these requirements, or suggestions for how NYSED may support schools in this area, please contact the office of Student Support Services at SafetyPlans@nysed.gov.