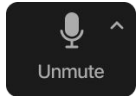
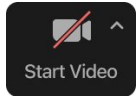


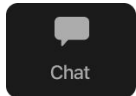
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Safe and Healthy Schools Community of Practice Call

April 25, 2024



Safe and Healthy Schools Updates



Medicaid Fee Schedule

- Updates to [LDH School Based Medicaid Fee Schedule](#)
- New descriptors effective May 1
- LDH Website will be updated on or around May 25
- Current available codes should be reviewed with service providers

Contact elizabeth.duncan@la.gov for more information.



National School Nurse Day

- National Nurses Week is May 6-12
- National School Nurse Day is May 8

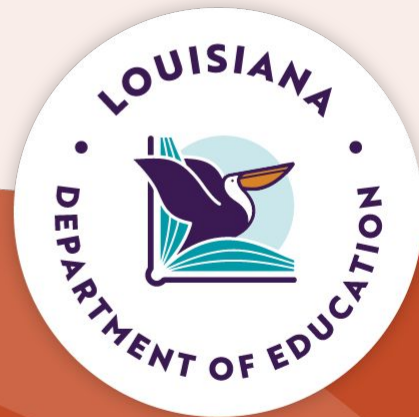


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Louisiana Statewide K-12 Behavioral Threat Assessment and Management (BTAM) Prevention Plan

Louisiana School Safety Initiative



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Presenter:

**Janice Ihaza
Statewide School Safety Policy Planner
Louisiana School Safety Initiative
Louisiana State Police**



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Louisiana Statewide K-12 (BTAM) Prevention Plan Goals and Objectives

To Create a Statewide K-12 Behavioral Threat Assessment and Management (BTAM), Prevention Plan Tool

Establish BTAM Procedures, Guidelines and Process

Establish a Central Reporting Mechanism

Establish a Statewide Training Program



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BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION

How We Started

2018 - Governor Edwards created the Blue Ribbon School Safety Commission after the Parkland and Sandy Hook schools shooting and appointed Louisiana State Police Colonel along with the DOE Superintendent to serve on the commission.

2018 - State-wide School Threat Evaluations was completed on Louisiana schools by utilizing a 100+ questionnaire.



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In 2018, LSP applied and was awarded TWO GRANTS :

COPS School Violence Prevention Program (SVPP):

To improve law enforcement's response to an active threat through technology.

Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), STOP School Violence:

To create a single anonymous reporting system statewide.

After an extensive search, LSP found the **RAVE Panic Button App** and the **Crimestoppers Safe Schools Louisiana App** are the statewide solutions and response to Louisiana school safety needs.

NO COST TO ALL SCHOOLS!



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SB 207 Creates the School Safety Act of 2023

- **ACT 334**
- Creation of the Center for Safe Schools within GOHSEP by 12/1/2023
- Implement a statewide panic emergency notification system as well as an anonymous reporting system, by 4/1/24.
- Provides for bleeding control kits to be placed in all schools and training.
- **Requires a district threat assessment team be created and provides they have input on the creation and revision of school crisis management and response plans.**
- Provides that at least one school safety drill be conducted during high traffic points during the school day.
- Requires in-service crisis management and response training including an active shooter scenario.
- Bill lead by the Louisiana Legislative Youth Advisory Council and Senator Milligan.



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What is a Behavioral Threat Assessment and Management (BTAM)?

Behavioral threat assessment and management (often referred to as threat assessment)

A systematic approach to violence prevention intended to identify and mitigate threats that are:

- **Transient (not serious)** or
- **Substantive (poses a continuing risk to others)**

The primary goal of Behavioral Threat Assessment is to evaluate the difference between making a threat and posing a threat to a school community and then to build a management plan that supports the safety of the entire community.



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What is Behavioral Threat Assessment and Management (BTAM)?

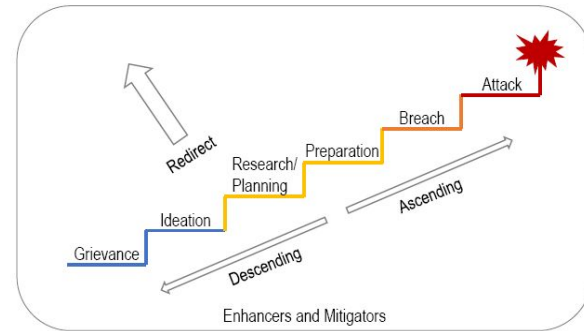
IDENTIFICATION

EVALUATION

INTERVENTION

FOLLOW-UP

PATHWAY TO INTENDED VIOLENCE





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Behavioral Threat Assessment and Management (BTAM) Tools

Three (3) Primary Behavioral Threat Assessment Methodologies

Comprehensive School Threat Assessment Guidelines (CSTAG)

- Created by Dewey G. Cornell, Ph.D.
- Uses a 5-step structured process and decision tree
- Evidence-based and peer-reviewed

*****Virginia Model

National Threat Assessment Center (NTAC) – aka Federal Model

- Created by the US Secret Service and the National Threat Assessment Center
- Uses 11 open-ended questions
- Based on empirical research - Mixed Methods of research

Salem-Keizer Cascade

- Created by John Van Dreal
- Combination of structured and open-ended questions
- Focuses on collaboration throughout the school community
- Derived from practice within a school setting



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Other Types of Assessments

- **Suicide / Homicide Assessment**
- **Security Threat and Risk Assessment**
- **Active Threat Assessment**
- **Cyber-security Threat and Risk Assessment**
- **Threat Assessment for Instrumental Violence**
- **Violence Threat Risk Assessment**
- **Facility Security Assessment**



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Creating a BTAM Tool

Using best practice (All - Three (3) Primary Behavioral Threat Assessment Methodologies)

- **BTAM Process:**

Identity, Investigate, Assessment, Manage

- **BTAM Tool / Questionnaire / Open-Ended Questions:**

- Threat Factors, Early Warning Sign Factors, At-Risk Factors, Protective Factors
- *(Type, method, target of threat), (Violent behavior, depression, suicide issues, access to weapons), (Discipline history, poor grades, drugs), (Supportive system)*

- **Triage / Assessment:**

Using a team approach and based on information gathered using the BTAM

- **Priority / Level of Concern:**

P1 (Critical), P2 (High), P3 (Moderate), P4 (Low), P5 (No Identified Concerns)

- **Management**

Follow-up



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Creating a Multidisciplinary BTAM Team

BTAM Team - Should have appropriately trained, and have collective expertise in school administration, mental health, academic instruction, and law enforcement.

The BTAM Team – Must include:

- School Administrator
- Mental Health Professional
- School Resource Officer (SRO)



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Louisiana School Safety Initiative (LSSI) Behavioral Threat Assessment, Mental Health, and Grants Survey Purpose

- To identify parishes that are using a BTAM tool and those that are not.
- To help determine training needs for BTAM.
- To collect mental health resources across the state.
- To help identify other grants available statewide.



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Louisiana School Safety Initiative (LSSI) Behavioral Threat Assessment, Mental Health, and Grants Survey Results

263 RESPONDED TO THE SURVEY

2800 Email Addresses

The survey went out to all schools (K-12, public, non-public and private), including but not limited to:

- School Related Associations Stakeholders and Partners
- Resource Officers
- Mental Health Stakeholder
- LDOE, LDH, OPH Partners
- LSSI Email Directory
- Head of Catholic Schools



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LOUISIANA ASSOCIATIONS Statewide Stakeholder

Associated Professional Educators of Louisiana (APEL)
Department of Children and Family Services
Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP)
Legislative Youth Advisory Council (LYAC)
Louisiana Association of Child Welfare and Attendance (LACWAP)
Louisiana Association of Computer Using Educators (LACUE)
Louisiana Association of Crisis Negotiators (LACN)
Louisiana Association of Educators (LAE)
Louisiana Association of Public Charter Schools (LAPCS)
Louisiana Association of School Administrators of Federally Assisted Programs (LASAFAP)
Louisiana Association of School Business Officials (LASBO)
Louisiana Association of School Executives (LASE)
Louisiana Association of School Social Workers (LASCW)
Louisiana Association of School Superintendents (LASS)
Louisiana Association of Substance Abuse Counselors & Trainers (LASACT)

Louisiana Behavioral Health Advisory Council
Louisiana D.A.R.E. Officer's Association
Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE)
Louisiana Department of Health / Office of Behavioral Health
Louisiana Department of Health / Office of Public Health
Louisiana School-Based Health Alliance (LASBHA)
Louisiana School Boards Association (LSBA)
Louisiana School Counselor Association (LSCA)
Louisiana School Facility Managers Association (LSFMA)
Louisiana School Psychological Association (LSPA)
Louisiana School Supervisors Association (LSSA)
Louisiana School Resource Officers Association (LASRO)
Louisiana State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE)
National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI Louisiana)
Parent Teacher Association (LAPTA)

***NOTE: Survey went out to all stakeholders**



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PARISHES RESPONDED Contact Information Optional

Answered: 177

Skipped: 86

Over 90% of Louisiana Parishes Responded to the Survey

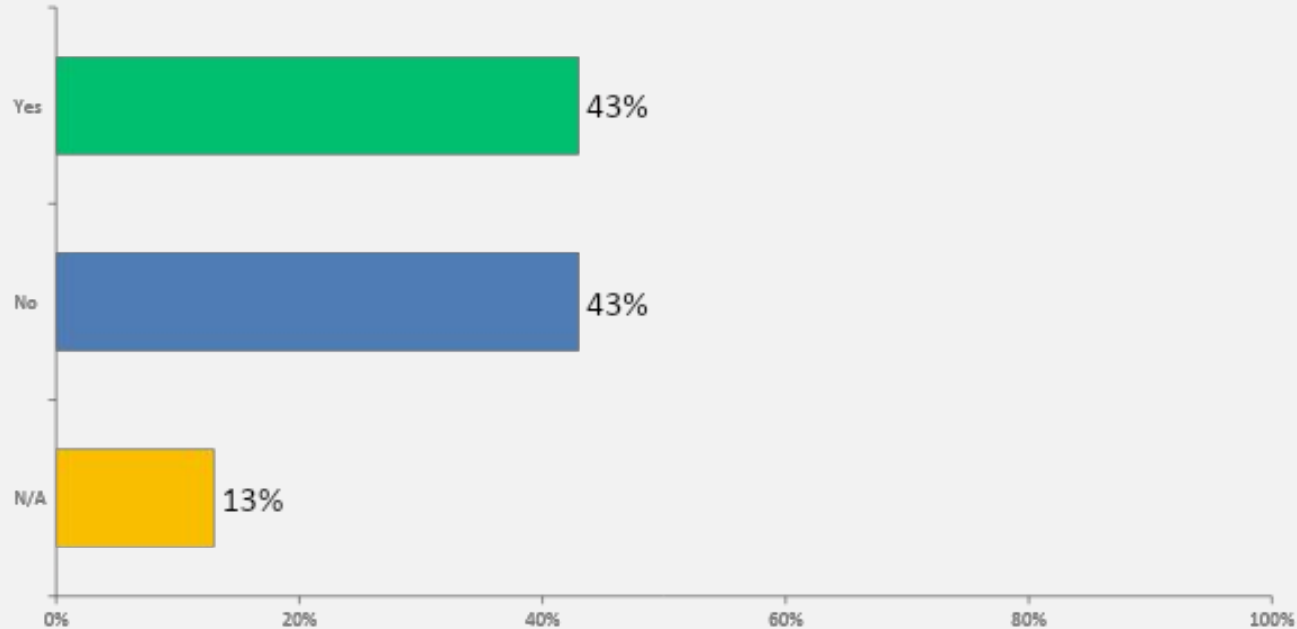
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Ascension	East Feliciana	Ouachita	Tangipahoa
Assumption	Evangeline	Plaquemines	Tensas
Avoyelles	Franklin	Pointe Coupee	Terrebonne
Beauregard	Iberia	Rapides	Union
Bienville	Iberville	Red River	Vernon
Bogalusa City	Jackson	Richland	Washington
Bossier	Jefferson	Sabine	West Baton Rouge
Caddo	Jefferson Davis	St. Bernard	West Feliciana
Calcasieu	Lafayette	St. Charles	Winn
Catahoula	Lafourche	St. James	Zachary Community
Central	Lincoln	St. John The Baptist	
City of Baker	Livingston	St. Landry	
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Q1: Does your school / school system use a B.T.A.M. Tool?

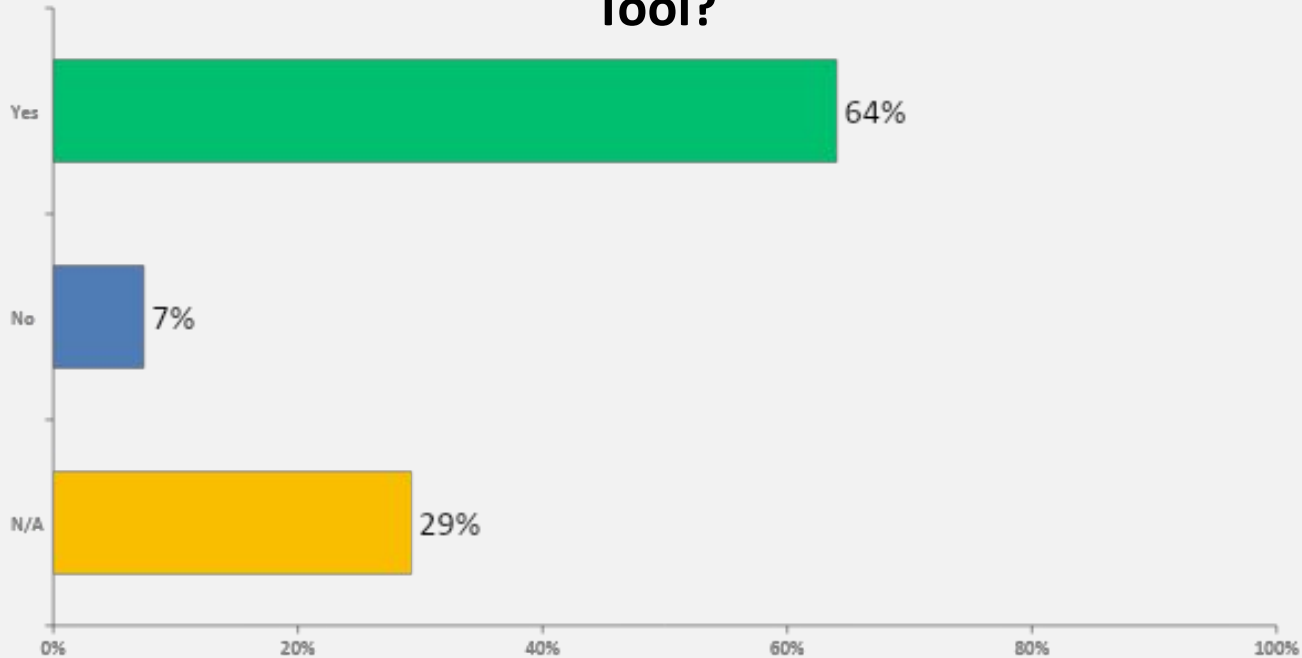




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Q2: Is your school / school system interested in using a B.T.A.M. Tool?

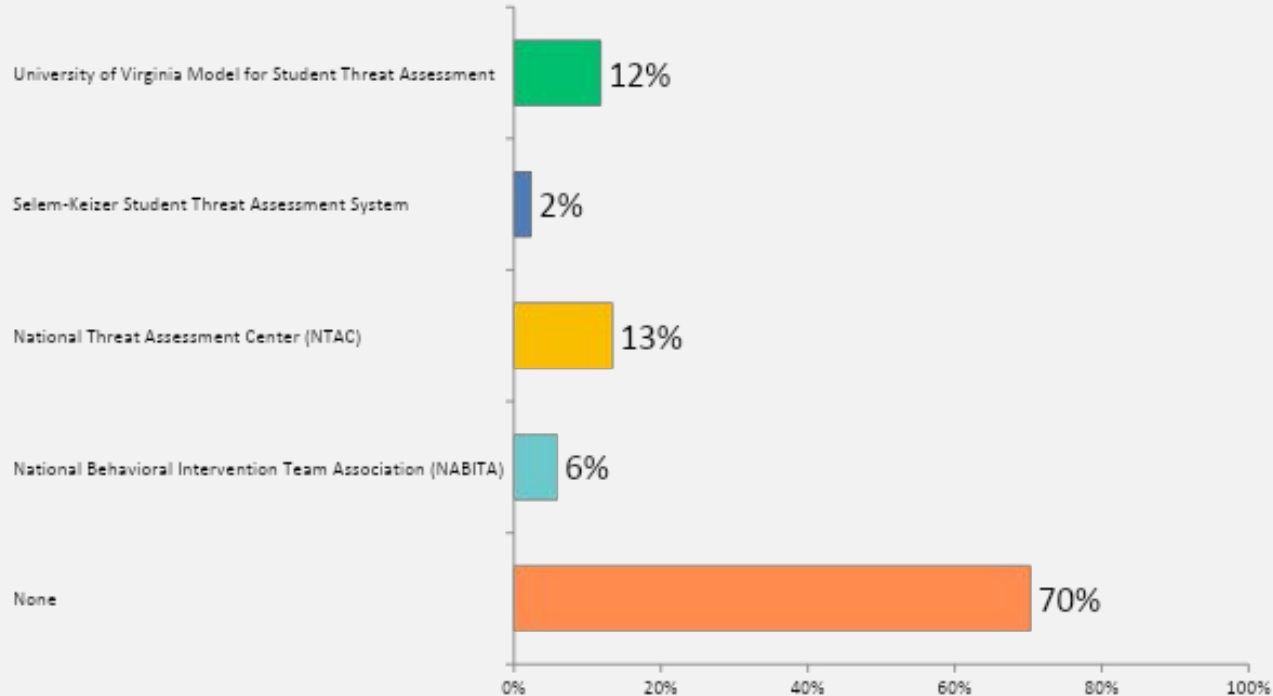




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Q3: What Behavioral Threat Assessment Tool / resource are you familiar with?





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Q 4 What Behavioral Threat Assessment Data Report System (Software) are you Familiar with ?

Answered: 185 Skipped: 77

90% None

National Threat Assessment Center
Intruder lockdowns, safety drills, evacuations
Student information platform
RAVE
ALERT
Google forms
The SRSS-IE is administered through
-Google Sheets or Excel
Insights to Behavior
WebPams

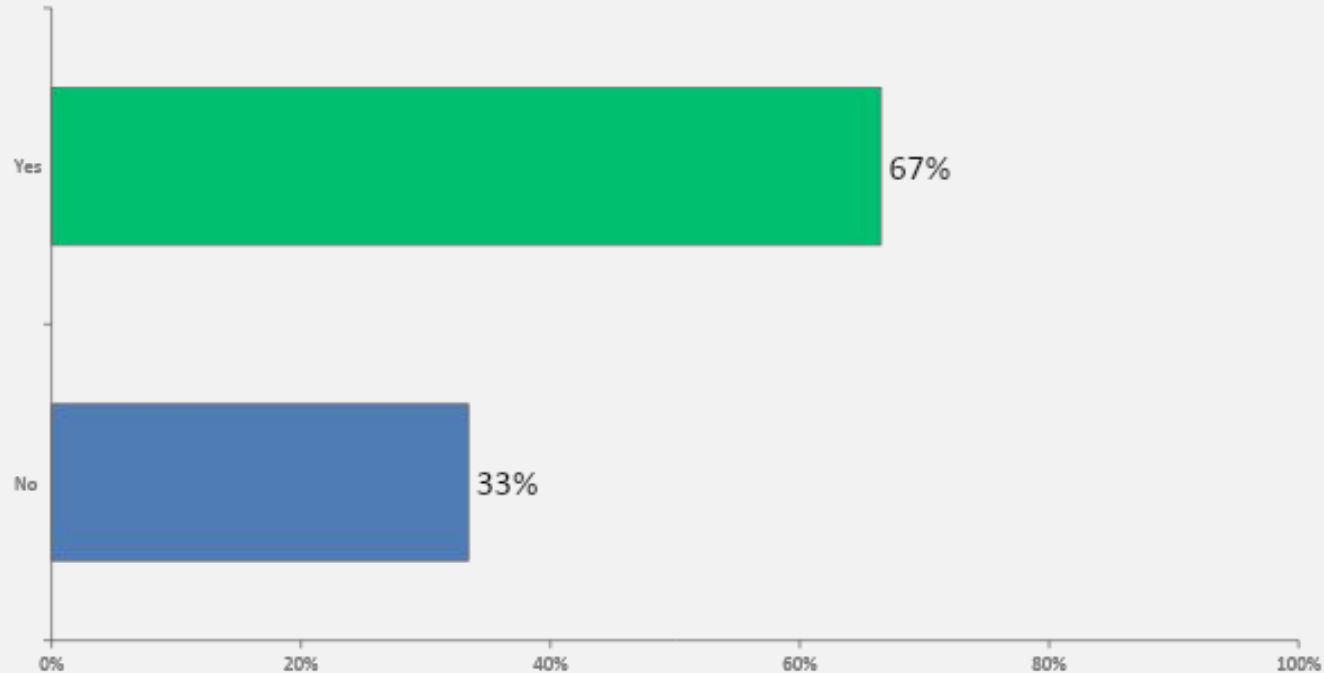
DEWS early warning system through our school system software
School data-base system
Navigate 360 and Lightspeed
EdClick,
Public Consulting Group BTAM,
Raptor StudentSafe
USA Software
School Cop
EdGear
Safe Schools App



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Q5: Would you be interested in participating in a Behavioral Threat Assessment Work Group?

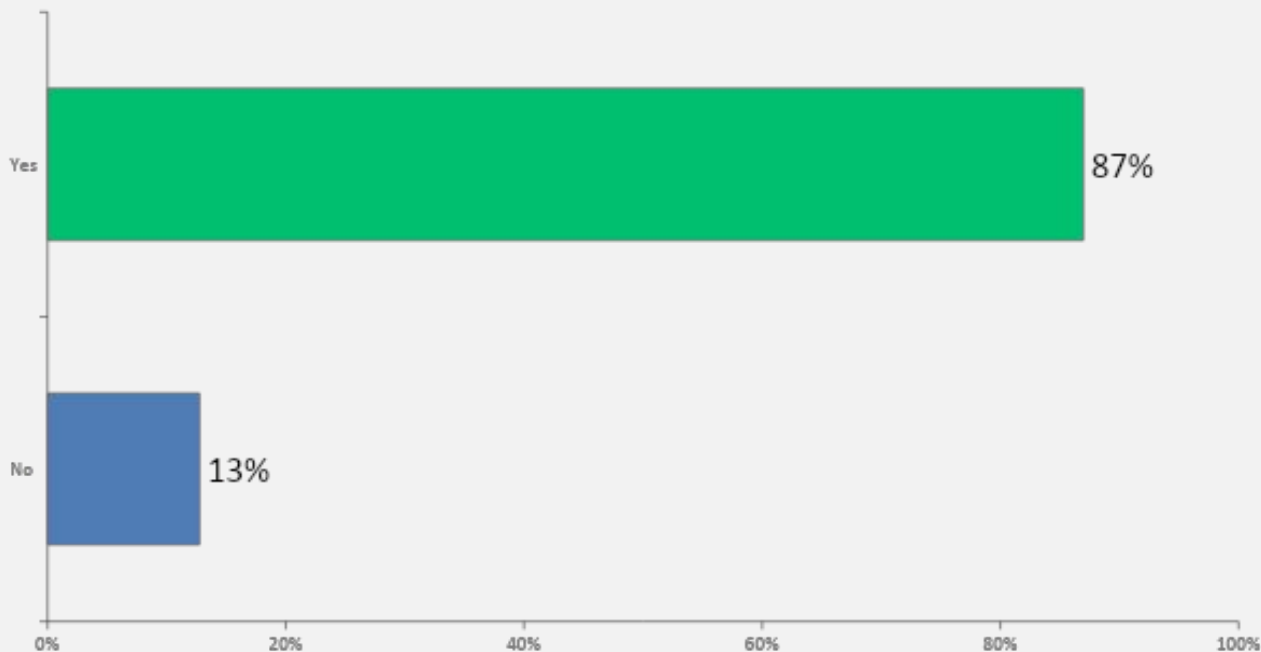




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Q6: Would you be interested in attending a Statewide Behavioral Threat Assessment / Mental Health Prevention Training?

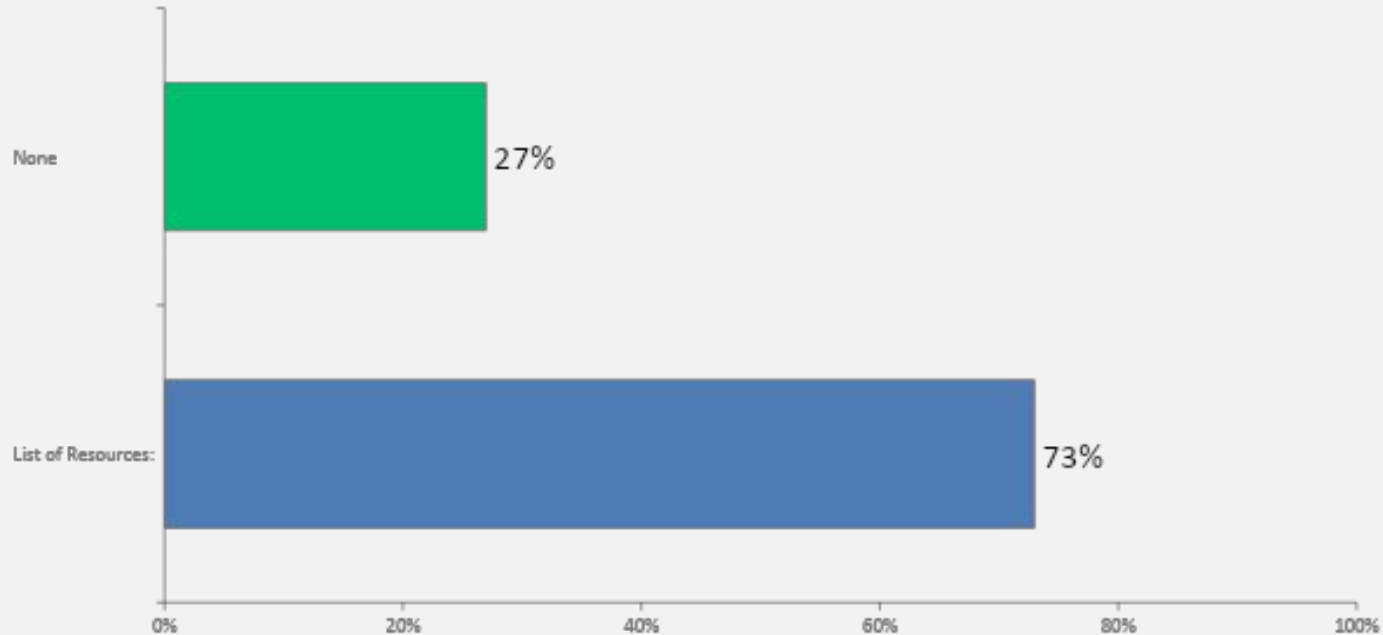




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Q7: Provide a list of Mental Health Resources that your school, school system or agency use and / or provide?

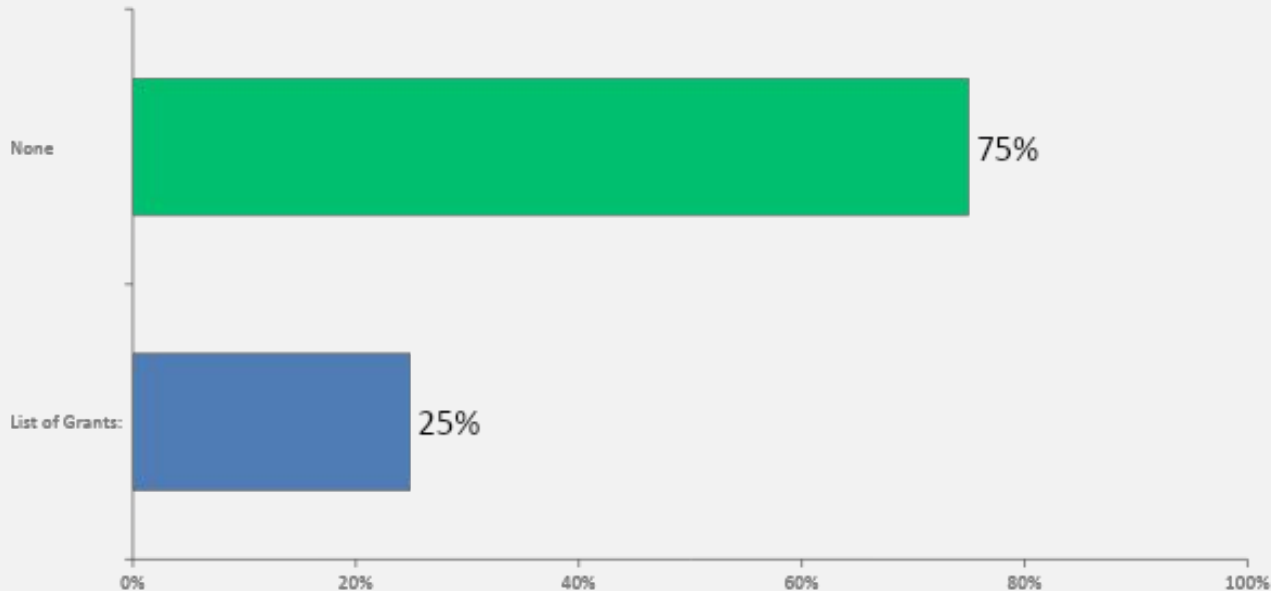




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Q8: Provide a list of Grants that your school, school system or agency use and / or provide?

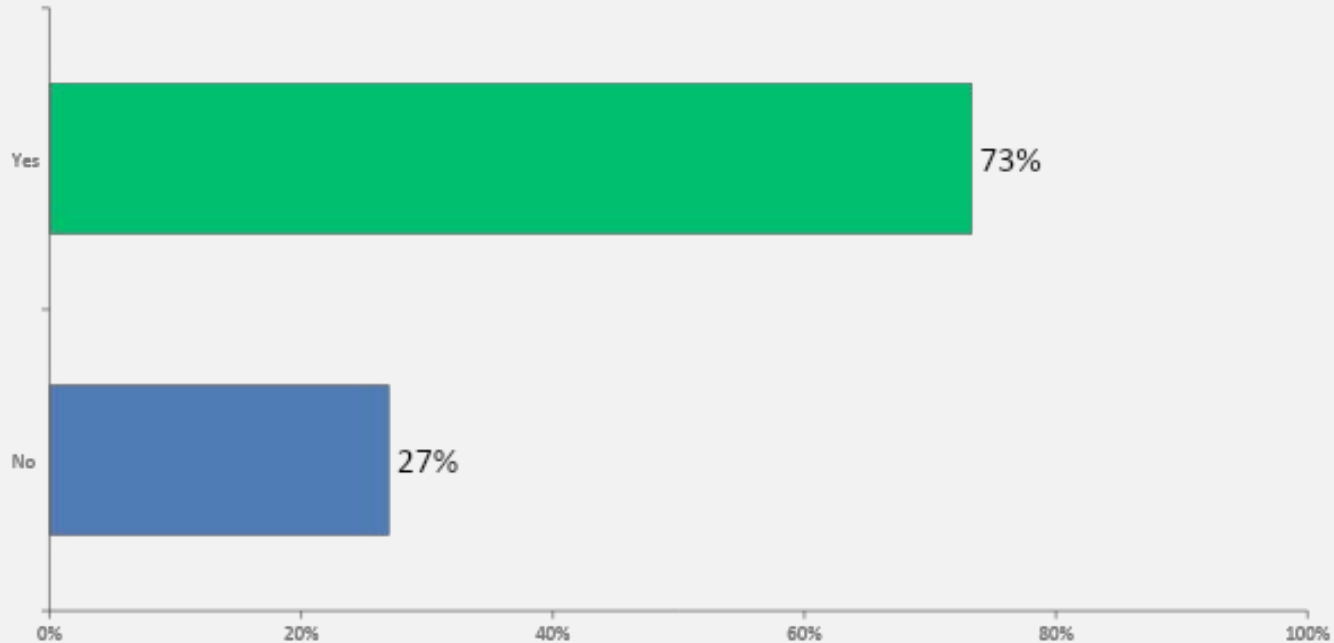




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Q9: Would you be interested in joining a Statewide School Safety listserv?





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Parishes Behavioral Threat Assessment and Management Tool Key Concepts Sample Audit Review

Parish/School District/Charter	Behavioral Threat Assessment and Management Tool (BTAM)	Key Concepts
Beauregard	Threat of Violence	Yes
Bienville	Threat Assessment and Intervention Plan	Yes
Bossier	Columbia-Suicide Severity Rating Scale (C-SSRS)-(Suicide)	No
Grant	Threat to Harm Self-Assessment & Intervention Plan-(Suicide)	No
Iberville	Threat Assessment and Intervention Plan	Yes
Jackson	Threat Assessment and Intervention Plan	Yes
Lafayette, The Willow Charter	Cornell Model Threat Assessment	Yes
Lincoln	Suicide/Homicide Risks Assessment Protocol-(Suicide)	No
Orleans, Morris Jeff Charter	Suicide Risk Assessment/Threat Inquiry Check List	No
Orleans, Young Audiences Charter	Comprehensive School Threat Assessment Guidelines/CSTAG	Yes
Pointe Coupee, False Rivers Academy	Dock Risk and Vulnerability Risk Assessment (Facility Security Assessment)	No
Rapides	Threat of Violence/Terrorism Investigative	Yes
St. Tammany	Threat of Violence	Yes
Tangipahoa	Assessment of Students at Risk for Violence (Threat Assessment)	Yes



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Other States

State	Behavioral Threat Assessment and Management (BTAM) Methodologies/Tools	Legislation	Safe School Center
<u>Oklahoma</u> Office of Homeland Security	The team based investigation process is modeled after the Salem-Keizer Threat Assessment system.	Yes	Yes
<u>Virginia</u> Department of Criminal Justice Services	Started in 2008, led the nation in efforts to implement threat assessment procedures. Virginia Student Threat Assessment Model. **School threat assessment teams are allow to edit the forms to meet their policies and procedures and local needs.	Yes	Yes
<u>Florida</u> Dept. of Education	“Comprehensive School Threat Assessment Guidelines (CSTAG) Threat Assessment and Response Protocol.” ***** Effective 1/2023 the Florida BTAM Model	Yes	Yes
<u>South Carolina</u> Law Enforcement Division	Developed a Best Practices Guide for South Carolina K–12 Schools.	Yes	Yes (2023)
<u>Arkansas</u> Criminal Justice Institute	U.S. Secret Service/U.S. Department of Education model.	Yes	Yes
*** Virginia Student Threat Assessment Guidelines manual was renamed to the Comprehensive School Threat Assessment Guidelines (CSTAG) manual to recognize its use outside of Virginia (Cornell, 2020).			



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Statewide K-12 Behavioral Threat Assessment and Management (BTAM) Prevention Tool Advisory Group

Governor's Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness	LA School Counselor Association
Information Technology (IT) Representative	LA School Psychological Association
LA Association of Child Welfare and Attendance	LA Youth Advisory Council
LA Association of School Social Workers	Law Enforcement
LA Behavioral Health Advisory Council	Pupil Appraisal Representative
LA Department of Education	Training Representative
LDH/Office of Behavioral Health	Superintendent Representative
LDH/Office of Public Health	Principal Representative
LA Parent Teacher Association	Teacher Representative
LA School-Based Health Alliance	BESE Board



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Statewide Mental Health Groups Resource Pool

School-Based Mental Health

LDH/OPH, Adolescent School Health Program School Base Health Center
Louisiana School Counseling Association
Child Welfare and Attendance Association
Louisiana School Psychological Association
Pupil Appraisal/Mental Health Coordinator

Suicide

OBH/LDH, State Suicide Prevention Coordinator
OPH/LDH, Statewide Suicide Prevention Partner Collaborative Work Group
Baton Rouge Crisis Intervention Center
Louisiana/Mississippi Chapters American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

Human Trafficking

LSP/Fusion Center, Investigative Specialist on Human Trafficking
Governor's Office of Human Trafficking
Sexual Trauma Awareness & Response (STAR)

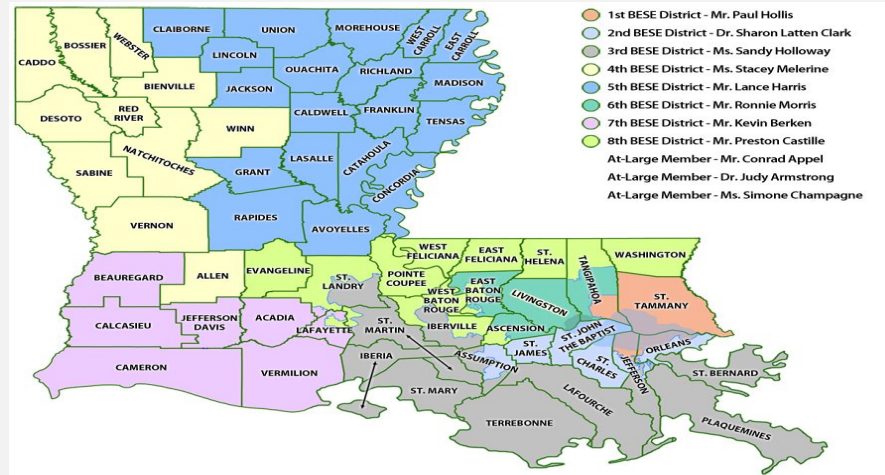


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Statewide BTAM Implementation

LDOE Funding Approved

2024 BTAM District / Regional Training





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Statewide K-12 Behavioral Threat Assessment and Management (BTAM) Prevention Training

- Training to school administrators, mental health professionals, SRO/law enforcement and stakeholders
- Train the Trainer registrants **MUST** attend 2 day foundational training

Foundational BTAM Training Sessions		
May 13 - 14, 2024	BESE District 4	Bossier Parish
May 16 -17, 2024	BESE District 5	Rapides Parish
June 10 - 11, 2024	BESE District 8	East Baton Rouge Parish
June 13-14, 2024	BESE District 6	Tangipahoa Parish
July 18 -19, 2024	BESE District 1&2	St. John The Baptist Parish
July 22 - 23, 2024	BESE District 7	Jefferson Davis Parish
July 25 - 26, 2024	BESE District 3	Terrebonne Parish
BTAM Train-the-Trainer/Facilitator Training Sessions		
Statewide Training		
Louisiana State Police Headquarters Baton Rouge, LA		
August 26-27, 2024		
August 29-30, 2024		
September 5-6, 2024		



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Statewide K-12 Behavioral Threat Assessment and Management (BTAM) Prevention Training

Free Registration is NOW OPEN for BESE Districts 4 & 5

- **Register May 13-14, 2024 BESE District 4:** (Bossier Parish)
 - Bossier Parish School for Technology & Innovative Learning (BPSTIL), Bossier City, LA
- **Register May 16-17, 2024 BESE District 5:** (Rapides Parish)
 - Gladys Higdon Instructional Resources Center, Alexandria, LA

For additional information, please contact Janice Ihaza at Janice.Ihaza@la.gov



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Statewide BTAM Implementation

- Deisinger Consulting Group / Training
- Tangipahoa Parish School System (TPSS) / School BTAM Pilot Program
- USA Software / Statewide Threat Analytics
- Statewide Stakeholders and Partnerships
- BTAM Policy and Legislation

The (BTAM Prevention Tool) will be recommended for all Louisiana schools K-12 schools



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BTAM IS A LIFE SAVING TOOL





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PREVENTION STARTS BEFORE THE GUNS SHOW UP

By: Dewey G. Cornell, Ph.D.



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Safe and Healthy School Reminders

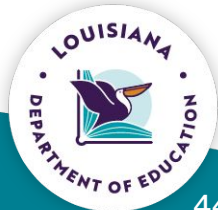


Louisiana School Nurse Organization Conference

LSNO conference [registration](#) is now available online:

- May 7-10
- Crowne Plaza Executive Center, Baton Rouge
- Book by April 7 for Conference Group Rates
- Continuing Education Units (CEUs) offered for Registered Nurses

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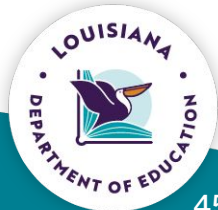


Immunization Exemption Forms

Reminder to all administrators and school nurses:

As per [R.S. 17:170.4](#) any written communications with students' parent, legal guardians, and tutor concerning immunizations must include information on exemptions. LDOE has a [Statement of Dissent from Immunizations](#) for your use on the website.

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AEDs in Schools

[Senate Bill 12](#) of the 2023 legislative session amended ACT No. 234 to require AEDs on site at ALL school campuses. The Bureau of Emergency Management Services (BEMS) is emailing schools to register AEDs with their organization.

Please complete the registration information at your earliest convenience.

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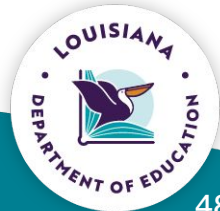
Louisiana Center for Safe Schools Training on School Exercise Planning

[Registration](#) is now open for the Post Conference Training on School Exercise Planning. The workshop will feature phased elements that are vital to preparedness, planning, response, recovery and mitigation, and best practices.

- Date: May 9; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Location: Louisiana Emergency Management Conference; Lake Charles, LA

More information is available by reaching out to lasafeschools@la.gov

For more information contact michael.comeaux@la.gov.



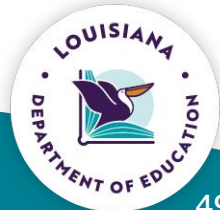
Louisiana Center for Safe Schools Data Call

The Louisiana Center for Safe Schools at the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness began a statewide [data call questionnaire](#) in March and encouraged full participation in preparation for the **May 1** deadline in the [School Safety Act of 2023](#).

In addition to the questionnaire, the Louisiana Center for School Safety opened the [School & Nonprofit Security Grant application](#) on April 1. In order to be eligible to apply, applicants **MUST** complete the questionnaire.

For additional questions regarding the questionnaire, please contact safeschools@la.gov.

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School Health Advisory Councils





Monthly Call Slides

Monthly call presentations are available in the [School System Planning Library](#).

- Office of Career and College Readiness
 - Healthy Communities
 - Healthy Schools Community of Practice

Schedules, access links and information for the Department's webinars can be found in the [LDOE Weekly Newsletter](#) and [School System Support Calendar](#).

Please contact healthyschools@la.gov





Questions?



Next Safe & Healthy Schools Community of Practice:

May 23 at 2 p.m.

**Focus Presentation: School Nursing
Services**



Contact healthyschools@la.gov for questions regarding our community of practice.