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As many schools look to re-evaluate their school safety plans and practices, we've compiled a list of guides and resources schools can refer to. Resources listed in this toolkit include best practices and considerations, inclusive planning to meet the needs of individuals with special needs, and comprehensive school safety planning and development.

Best Practices and Considerations: Armed Assailant Drills in Schools
National Association of School Psychologists, National Association of School Resource Officers, and Safe and Sound Schools.

A detailed guide highlighting factors schools should consider when planning and conducting armed assailant drills in order to protect physical and psychological safety of students.

Especially Safe: An Inclusive Approach to Safety Preparedness in Educational Settings
Safe and Sound Schools.

Created in honor of Michele Gay's daughter, Josephine Grace, this program guides safety planning teams in addressing the safety and security needs of students with special needs. The two-part guide and webinar focuses on inclusive planning so that schools can create a culture of safety and security that everyone can depend on in emergencies of all kinds.

FEMA PrepTalk, Michele Gay
Federal Emergency Management Agency

Michele shares her personal experience as the parent of a child killed in the Sandy Hook tragedy in 2012. She highlights some of the simple solutions that students and staff needed during the crisis at Sandy Hook, and presents Safe and Sound Schools' Framework for Comprehensive School Safety Planning and Development.

PASS Guidelines
PASSK12

A best-practice guide on securing school facilities. The guide includes assessment tools and resources aimed at prioritizing school safety and security needs.

Resource Library
Safe and Sound Schools

A library of resources organized by topic. Several particularly relevant topics include: Active Assailant, Trauma-Informed Schools, Reunification, Recovery, Reporting and Threat Assessment, Violence Prevention, Physical Safety and Security, Emergency Response.