1. Define the term “active shooter”.

2. List measures that can be employed to reduce the effectiveness of an active shooter.

3. Describe actions that can be expected from responding law enforcement officers.
About School Shootings

- School Shootings are Not a New Phenomenon
  - The earliest recorded school killing occurred on July 26, 1764 in Franklin County, PA.

- No Geographic Region is Excluded.

- On a National Average, 100,000 students bring guns to school every year.
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An Active Shooter is an individual actively engaged in killing or attempting to kill people in a confined and populated area; in most cases, most active shooters use firearm(s) and there is no pattern or method to their selection of victims.

Because active shooter situations are often over within 10 to 15 minutes, before law enforcement arrives on the scene, individuals must be prepared both mentally and physically to deal with an active shooter situation.
• Males account for approximately 80% of active shooter offenders.
• 99% of active shooters plan their attack.
• 98% of active shooter incidents are carried out by a single attacker.
• 41% of active shooter attacks are professional/work related.
• 36% of attackers carried more than one weapon.
• 80% of incidents have occurred in the United States.
• with law 90% of active shooters suffer from rejection
• Active Shooters do not normally plan extensive combat enforcement
Response to Active Shooter

A  AVOID
D  DENY
D  DEFEND
Active Shooter Response - AVOID

If there is an escape route, evacuate the premises!

- Have an escape route planned
- Evacuate regardless of whether others agree to follow
- Leave your belongings behind
- Help others escape if possible
- Prevent individuals from entering a danger area
- Keep your hands visible
- Follow the instructions of any police officer
- Do not attempt to move wounded persons
- Call 911 when you are safe

Trust your instincts!
Information to Report to 911

Suspect Information
- Number of suspects
- Location of suspects
- Clothing description
- Race/Gender
- Type and number of weapons

Your Location Information
- Office/Classroom Number
- Number of people at your location
- Number of injured/wounded people
- Type of injuries

Stay Calm!
If evacuation is not possible, find a place to HIDE!

1. Your hiding place should:
   a) Be out of the active shooter’s view
   b) Provide protection if shots are fired in your direction
   c) Should not restrict your options for movement

2. Prevent an active shooter from entering your hiding place:
   a) Lock the door
   b) Blockade the door with heavy furniture

3. If the active shooter is nearby:
   a) Lock the door
   b) Silence your cell phone or pager
   c) Turn off any source of noise (radios, television, etc.)
   d) Hide behind large items
   e) Remain quiet

4. If evacuation and hiding out are not possible:
   a) Remain calm
   b) Call 911 if possible
   c) If you cannot speak to a dispatcher, leave the line open so they can listen
As a last resort, and only if your life is in imminent danger, attempt to disrupt and/or incapacitate the active shooter by:

1. Acting as aggressively as possible against him/her
2. Throwing items and improvising weapons
3. Yelling
4. Committing to your actions

You MUST have a VICTOR’S MINDSET!!!
Active Shooter Response - When Law Enforcement Arrives

- Remain calm and follow officers’ instructions
- Put down any items in your hands
- Raise your hands and spread your fingers
- Keep hands visible at all times; hands kill!
- Avoid making quick movements or pointing at or towards officers
- Avoid screaming and yelling
- Do not ask officers for help or directions when evacuating, just proceed in the direction from which officers are entering the premises.
Active Shooter Response - What Will Law Enforcement Do?

- The primary goal of law enforcement is to locate, contain and **STOP** the shooter!
- The rescue team’s primary responsibility is to recover injured or trapped victims.
- Medical care will follow once the threat is stopped.
- You may be searched!
- You may be handcuffed.
- You may be escorted out of the building
Key Points to Remember

• Trust your instincts.
• Remain calm.
• **AVOID** the shooter - Evacuate the area.
• **DENY** the shooter - Locate a secure area.
• **DEFEND** your life - Commit to your actions.
• Know the law enforcement response.
• Report information to 911.