

Subject Active Shooter Drills

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Overview

This bill defines active shooter drill and active shooter simulation, and establishes requirements for how they may be conducted.

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| 1 | <p>Active shooter drills.</p> <p>Subd. 1. Definitions. Defines terms, including “active shooter drill.”</p> <p>Subd. 2. Standards. Establishes requirements for active shooter drills, including that they be accessible and developmentally appropriate.</p> <p>Subd. 3. Student mental health and wellness. Requires active shooter drill protocols to include time for teachers to debrief with their students. Prohibits combining active shooter drills with another emergency preparedness drill. Requires an announcement before starting an active shooter drill.</p> <p>Subd. 4. Notice. Requires a school to provide notice to parents of pending active shooter drills before they are conducted. Prohibits negative consequences for students opted out of participating in an active shooter drill. Requires alternative safety education for students who do not participate in active shooter drills.</p> <p>Subd. 5. Participation in active shooter drills and active shooter simulations. Prohibits requiring students to participate in active shooter drills that do not meet statutory requirements, and in active shooter simulations. Limits when active shooter simulations may take place. Allows parents of high school students to opt their student out of an active shooter simulation.</p> <p>Subd. 6. Violence prevention. Requires schools conducting an active shooter drill to provide students in grades 6 to 12 at least one hour of violence prevention training annually. Establishes requirements for violence prevention training. Requires the commissioner of education to develop a list of evidence-based</p> |
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trainings. Requires districts to ensure students can contribute to the school's safety and violence prevention planning.

Subd. 7. Publicly available information. Requires the Department of Education to post on its website a list of vendors that teach school personnel how to conduct active shooter drills. Requires the commissioner of education, in partnership with the commissioner of human services, to develop guidelines for measuring the effectiveness of active shooter drills and distribute the guidelines. Requires local school boards to hold at least one meeting every year regarding active shooter drills.



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