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Dear School, Campus, and Community Safety Leaders:

On behalf of Governor Glenn Youngkin, Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security, Sheriff Bob Mosier, the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services, and the Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2022 National Threat Assessment Conference for Educational Institutions.

The conference themes illustrate that school, campus, and community safety is achievable when we work together toward our common goals. Through the preventative approaches of behavioral and community threat assessment, recognizing warning signs, interrupting the pathway and mitigating threats, and even in response and recovery, we can bring together multi-disciplinary partnerships to create safer communities. We are committed to collaborating with you in those efforts and to highlighting ways to thrive in today's world.

Bringing together professionals from a broad range of disciplines and backgrounds to focus on the safety and security of our communities in this way is imperative. Nearly 500 attendees from the fields of national and state safety, law enforcement, PreK-12 school division and school level personnel, mental health professionals, higher education personnel, threat assessment team members, and school/campus security officers—have joined us here in Virginia Beach to pursue better outcomes for the safety of all students, staff, stakeholders, and ultimately for the community. The keynotes and panel at this year's conference represent a plethora of knowledge and resources within reach to you. It is through sharing ideas and making connections that we can move the needle forward in each of our respective areas.

My colleagues and I are truly grateful to you for being here and for the ongoing work you do. We are honored to partner with the Association of Threat Assessment Professionals to bring you this opportunity. We also appreciate the presenters and panelists who have lent their time and expertise to ensure that the next several days are time well spent.

Should you need anything during your stay in Virginia Beach or after you return home, please know that we stand ready to support you and your efforts at making schools, campuses, and communities safer for all. Enjoy the conference!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jackson H. Miller".

Jackson Miller
Director

7:30 AM–8:00 AM	Coffee, Registration, and Participant Check-in
8:00 AM– 8:30 AM	<p>Presentation of Colors Virginia Beach Police Department</p> <p>National Anthem Sandra Sylvester, CEO, Superior Global Solutions</p> <p>Welcome and Introductions of Special Guests/Dignitaries Donna Michaelis, <i>Division Director, Public Safety Training and the Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety, Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services</i> Tracy Louise Winn Banks, <i>Chief Deputy Director, Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services</i> Maggie Cleary, <i>Deputy Secretary of Public Safety and Homeland Security, Commonwealth of Virginia</i></p>
8:30 AM–9:30 AM	<p>It Happened Here: Sandy Hook – A First Responder’s Perspective Will Chapman, <i>School Resource Officer, Newtown Connecticut</i></p>
9:30 AM–9:45 AM	BREAK
9:45 AM–11:00 AM	<p>THEME: CURRENT LANDSCAPE IN BEHAVIORAL THREAT ASSESSMENT</p> <p>What Virginia Data Says Donna Michaelis, <i>Division Director, Public Safety Training and the Virginia Center for School and Campus Safety, Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services</i> Brad Stang, <i>Threat Assessment Program Coordinator, Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services</i></p> <p>The Latest from the Federal Bureau of Investigation Dr. Karie Gibson, <i>Chief, BAU1, Behavioral Threat Assessment Center, Federal Bureau of Investigation</i></p> <p>Department of Homeland Security Center for Prevention Programs and Partnerships: Public Health Model of Prevention Jordan Garza, <i>Regional Prevention Coordinator, Department of Homeland Security</i></p> <p>United States Secret Service – Protecting Our Communities Dr. Lina Alathari, <i>Chief of the National Threat Assessment Center, USSS</i></p> <p>Updates from the Association of Threat Assessment Professionals (ATAP) Michael Elliott, <i>President, DC-Mid Atlantic Chapter, Association of Threat Assessment Professionals</i></p>
11:00 AM–11:15 AM	BREAK
11:15 AM–12:15 PM	<p>THEME: RECOGNIZING THE WARNING SIGNS</p> <p>Digital Threat Assessment – Current Trends + How to Identify and Assess Online Threats Dr. Greg Gerber, <i>Director of Training, Safer Schools Together</i></p>
12:15 PM–1:15 PM	LUNCH PROVIDED – EXHIBIT HALL A (LEVEL 1)
1:15 PM– 2:15 PM	<p>Warning Signs in Student Assignments Dr. Peter Langman, <i>Author and Subject Matter Expert on Active Attackers</i></p>
2:15 PM–2:30 PM	BREAK
2:30 PM–3:30 PM	<p>THEME: COMMUNITY THREAT ASSESSMENT</p> <p>Community Based Multi-Disciplinary Teams and Mitigating Targeted Violence: The Next Frontier Dr. Gene Deisinger, <i>Deisinger Consulting</i> Dave Okada, <i>Principal of Safety and Threat Solutions Consulting, and President, Association of Threat Assessment Professionals</i></p>
3:30 PM–3:45 PM	BREAK
3:45 PM–5:00 PM	<p>The Benefits of Community-Based Threat Management: A Case Study of Intervention and Long Term Case Management Dr. Karie Gibson, <i>Chief, BAU1, Behavioral Threat Assessment Center, Federal Bureau of Investigation</i></p>
5:00 PM	DAY ONE CONCLUDES

7:30 AM–8:00 AM	Coffee, Registration, and Participant Check-in
8:00 AM–9:15 AM	It Happened Here: Parkland, Florida School Shooting Max Schachter, <i>Father of Parkland Shooting Victim Alex Schachter, and Founder and Executive Director, Safe Schools for Alex</i>
9:15 AM–9:30 AM	BREAK
9:30 AM–10:30 AM	THEME: INTERRUPTING THE PATHWAY & MITIGATING THREATS
	Interrupting the Pathway to Violence: Preventive Behavioral Threat Assessment in the Educational Setting John Van Dreal, <i>Principal, Van Dreal Consulting</i>
10:30 AM–10:45 AM	BREAK
10:45 AM–11:45 AM	Interviewing...This is Not a Talk on Lie Detection: Response Style and What it Means Dr. Stephanie Leite, <i>Principal, Forensic Intelligence, LLC</i>
11:45 AM–12:45 PM	LUNCH PROVIDED – EXHIBIT HALL A (LEVEL 1)
12:45 PM–1:45 PM	It Almost Happened Here: Saving Sycamore – The School Shooting That Never Happened Molly Hudgens, <i>School Counselor, Sycamore Middle School, Pleasant View, Tennessee</i>
1:45 PM–2:00 PM	BREAK
2:00 PM–3:30 PM	It Happened Here: STEM School Shooting, Castle Rock, Colorado George Brauchler, <i>Chief Deputy District Attorney, 18th District, Colorado</i>
3:30 PM–5:00 PM	PANEL DISCUSSION
	Panel Discussion: Bridging the Gap Between K-12, Campus, and Community Behavioral Threat Assessment Teams Dr. Gene Deisinger, <i>Deisinger Consulting (Host)</i> Dr. Lina Alathari, <i>Chief of the National Threat Assessment Center, USSS</i> Cortney Berry, <i>Emergency Manager, Henrico County Public Schools</i> Chief Craig Branch, <i>Germanna Community College Police Department</i> Dr. Karie Gibson, <i>Chief, BAU1, Behavioral Threat Assessment Center, Federal Bureau of Investigation</i> Dr. Stan Jones, <i>Deputy Superintendent and Chief Academic Officer, Stafford County Public Schools</i> Dr. Peter Langman, <i>Author and Subject Matter Expert on Active Attackers</i> Dr. Stephanie Leite, <i>Principal, Forensic Intelligence, LLC</i> Dave Okada, <i>Principal of Safety and Threat Solutions Consulting, and President, Association of Threat Assessment Professionals</i> Max Schachter, <i>Father of Parkland Shooting Victim Alex Schachter, and Founder and Executive Director, Safe Schools for Alex</i> John Van Dreal, <i>Principal, Van Dreal Consulting</i>
5:00 PM	DAY TWO CONCLUDES

7:30 AM–8:00 AM	<i>Coffee, Registration, and Participant Check-in</i>
8:00 AM–9:30 AM	THEME: RESPONSE & RECOVERY
	When the Worst Happens: Virginia Beach Municipal Building Shooting Theresa Orr, <i>Senior Police Captain, Virginia Beach Police Department</i> Thomas Shattuck, <i>Coordinator, Office of Security and Emergency Management, Virginia Beach City Public Schools</i>
9:30 AM–9:45 AM	BREAK
9:45 AM–10:45 AM	When the Worst Happens: Interconnected Stories of Recovery and Resiliency Carly Posey, <i>Mission Director, "I Love U Guys" Foundation, Conifer, Colorado</i>
10:45 AM–11:45 AM	When the Worst Happens: Interconnected Stories of Recovery and Resiliency Jordan Murphy, <i>Musician and Mentor, Conifer, Colorado</i>
11:45 AM–12:00 PM	Closing Remarks Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services Staff
12:00 PM	CONFERENCE CONCLUDES



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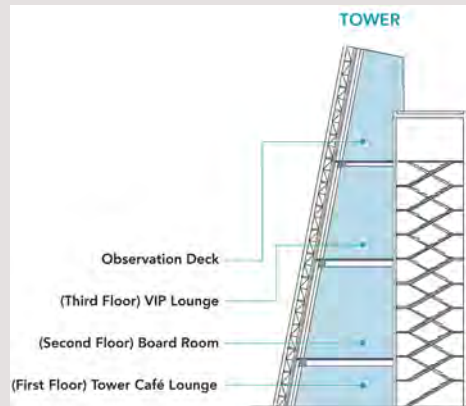
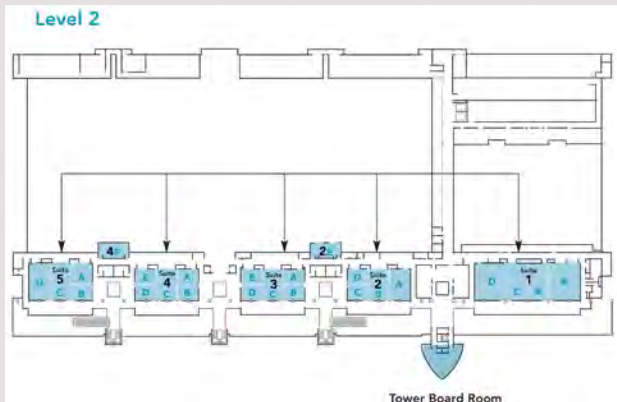
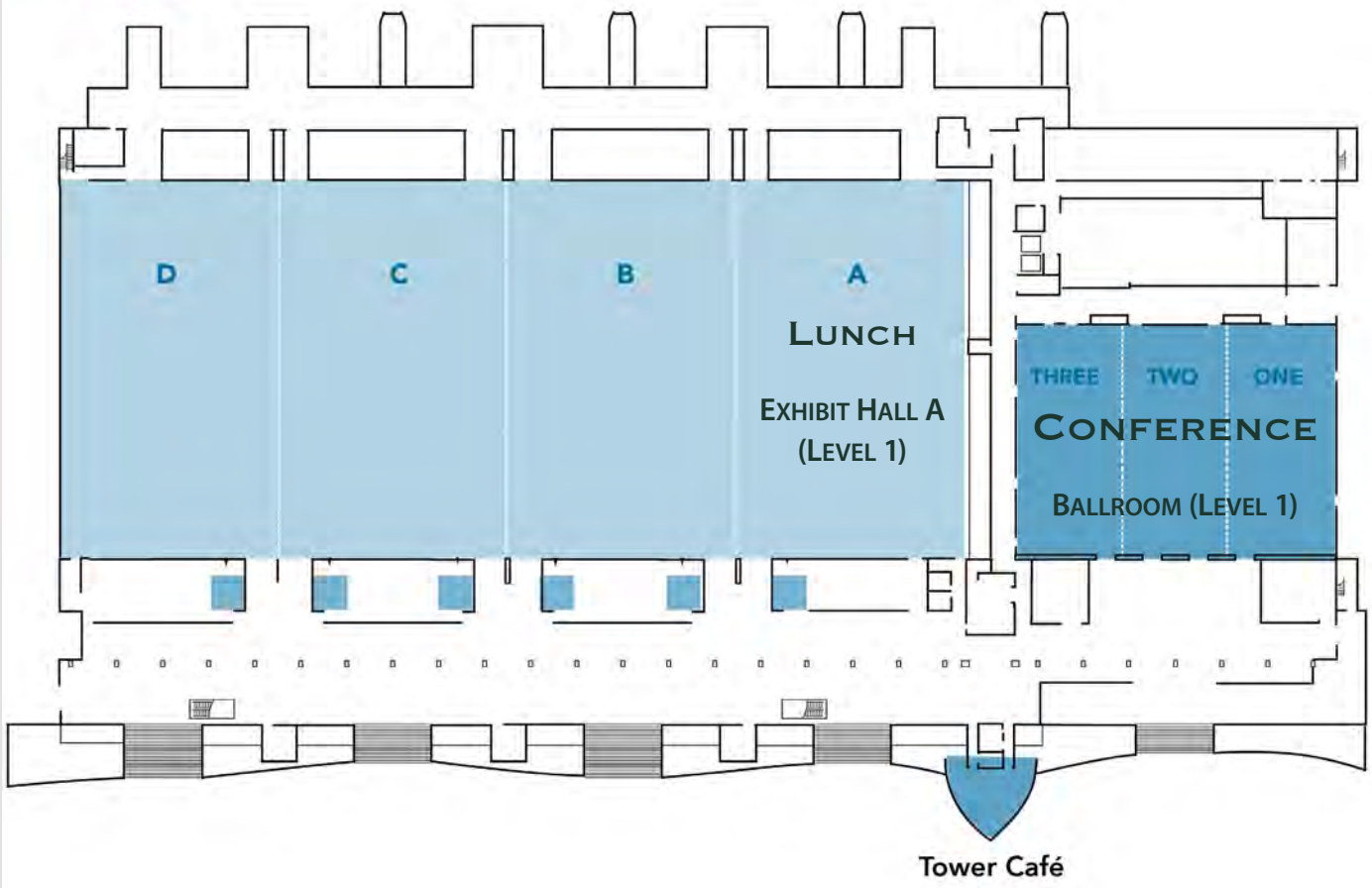
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K-12 Threat Assessment in Virginia: A Prevention Overview for School Staff, Parents, and Community Members
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Information Sharing Guide for Institutions of Higher Education
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Information Sharing Guide for K-12 Public Schools
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2021 Virginia School Safety Audit Highlights
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