



# Welcome to the Virginia School Safety Survey

This is a secure, web-based survey conducted by the Virginia Center for School Safety. Submission of this survey fulfills the Virginia School Safety Audit requirement. ([Virginia Code §22.1-279.8](#)).

While answering the following survey questions, please base your responses on the conditions in your school division during the 2005 - 2006 school year.

Should you have any questions about this survey or if you are experiencing a technical problem, please contact Donna Bowman at the Virginia Center for School Safety, 804-371-6506 or [donna.bowman@dcjs.virginia.gov](mailto:donna.bowman@dcjs.virginia.gov).

Please answer the following questions about your school as accurately as possible.

## I. Division Identification Information

1. What is the name of your school division?

(select from drop down list; counties are listed first, then cities/towns)

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If we have any questions about your survey responses, we would like to be able to contact you. Please provide us with your contact information:

2. What is your name?

3. What is your title?

4. What is your phone number?

5. What is your e-mail address?

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## II. Policies and Programs

6. Were any new or substantially amended safety and/or security-related policies adopted into your division's policy manual in the 2005 - 2006 school year?

Yes

No

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6a. What safety-related topics did the new or amended policies address?

(check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> alcohol   | <input type="checkbox"/> school uniforms       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> bullying  | <input type="checkbox"/> search and seizure    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> disruptive students                               | <input type="checkbox"/> seized weapon storage |
| <input type="checkbox"/> intervention programs (at-risk referral programs) | <input type="checkbox"/> self-defense          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> dress code  | <input type="checkbox"/> sexual harassment     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> drug testing                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> threats               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> drug use / abuse                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> tobacco               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> expulsion / suspension                            | <input type="checkbox"/> trespassing           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> gangs   | <input type="checkbox"/> vandalism             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> hazing  | <input type="checkbox"/> weapons               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> homeland security                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> zero tolerance        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> reporting of criminal offenses                    |  |

other (describe):

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7. Does your school division currently have a student drug testing policy?

Yes

No

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7a. What segment(s) of your division's student population is subject to student drug testing?

(check all that apply)

- student athletes
- extra curricular participants
- random testing of all students

other (describe):

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The next two questions (questions 8 and 9) ask about procedures implemented among “all schools in your division” and among “all schools of the same type in your division”, respectively. If you want to tell us about implementation among some portion of your schools, please use the “other (describe)” option offered at the end of each checklist for those questions.

8. What types of suspension/expulsion options are available to all schools in your division?  
(check all that apply)

- in-school suspension
- out-of-school suspension - released to parental / guardian supervision
- alternative suspension program - referred to non-profit organization
- alternative suspension program - school-based out-of-school program
- alternative suspension program - division-based out-of-school program
- alternative suspension program - regionally-based out-of-school
- alternative expulsion program
- none

other (describe):

9. Which intervention / at-risk programs are uniformly implemented among all schools of the same type in your school division (elementary, middle, high, etc.)?

(check all that apply)

- alcohol
- child abuse and neglect
- criminal conduct
- drug use / abuse
- student pregnancy
- suicidal youth
- violent and disruptive youth
- none

other (describe):

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### III. Emergency Planning/Collaboration with Emergency Responders

10. Has your school division developed a written, coordinated, division-wide Crisis Management Plan (CMP)/Emergency Management Plan (EMP)?

- Yes
- No

10a. What topics does it specifically address?

(check all that apply)

- comprehensive multi-school evacuation (including transportation of students)
- medical triage coverage
- formal threat and vulnerability assessments
- school bus crisis management
- designates a public information officer (or other method to make information available to media and/or public)
- electronic parental notification
- other (describe):

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11. Has your school division provided emergency responders (police/fire/EMTs, etc.) with electronic or digital floor plans of all of your division's school buildings/campuses?

- Yes
- No

12. Does your school division have a written Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with a local law enforcement agency?

- Yes
- No

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## IV. School Security Personnel

13. Does your school division use [School Resource Officers \(SROs\)](#) to enhance safety and security measures in your schools?

- Yes
  - No
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13a. What percentage of the SRO program is funded by local school division funds?

(enter numeric response; do not enter the % sign)

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14. Does your school division use [School Security Officers \(SSOs\)](#) to enhance safety and security measures in your schools?

Yes

No

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14a. Does your school division have a policy and procedures manual specifically for SSOs?

Yes

No

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15. Does your school division use private security officers to enhance safety and security measures in your schools?

Yes

No

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