

Crisis Simulations International

Your People Your Decisions Your Real-Life Simulations

Schools Face New Challenges in the 21st Century

Today, schools face new unimaginable threats to their safety. In 1999, the Columbine school shootings opened educators' eyes to the possibility of violence within the student body. The 2004 school killings in Beslan, Russia demonstrated that terrorists could target our children. And most recently, the tragedy at Virginia Tech underscored our worst fears.

Most educational institutions provide school-specific security, crime prevention, and crisis preparedness training. Law enforcement agencies regularly train officers for crisis intervention. However, it's rare for school officials and law enforcement to train together to understand the roles, responsibilities and "rules of engagement" for both organizations.

We all know that experience is the best teacher. CSI provides safe, hands-on experience through training and education programs designed specifically for school administrators, law-enforcement and public-safety officials. We safely replicate real-life crises that involve those on the front line to those in command. We combine the experience of the nation's leading experts in critical-decision making with our proven, patent-pending DXMA™ simulation technology. In the United States, we qualify for funding under many Department of Homeland Security programs.

CSI's education and training system supports all involved in a school security situation by helping them understand and practice decision-making in a realistic (and safe) simulated environment.

Participants learn and build new skills including:

- What are the consequences and cascading effects of decisions?
- How do politics influence choices?
- How do the economics of decisions affect the agency or your community?
- What are the policies and procedures of your agency? Were they followed? Are they tactically sound when pressure-tested?
- What are the decision-making styles of the officers and their commanders? How does this affect critical incident outcomes?
- Did they work effectively with their peers, colleagues and the community?

Now officers and command staff can develop the skills, and judgment needed -- and that every community expects. Officers and campus administrators can train safely and repeatedly in multiple scenarios, tracking improvements in their performance. They can even train for crises that are too difficult or dangerous for live drills -- which, when they happen, are exactly when the skills of well-trained, highly effective law-enforcement agencies are needed.

Contact us at info@crisissimulations.com or at (503) 885-9631 or to discuss how we can work together to protect your community and your colleagues.



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