



**School Lockdowns:  
Keeping Our Children and School Staff Safe**

# Purpose

- Respond to in-progress incidents impacting or could have potential impact on a school environment within the City of Anaheim

## Primary Objectives

- Stop the threat to ensure the safety of our children and school staff
- Minimize disruption to the teaching environment
- Resolution of in-progress incident; Apprehension of offender
- Allow for the education environment to resume

# Anaheim Police Department's Procedure

- Step #1: Officers responding to an incident advise Communications to place a nearby affected school on Lockdown
- Step #2: Communications or assigned SRO contacts the school and advises of Lockdown request
- Step #3: Maintain communication with the school until incident is resolved

# Lockdown Levels

- Level 1: Alert

- School secures its perimeter gates and restricts access on and off campus. This is the least restrictive level in terms of the impact to the affected school site, and will not necessarily require the deployment of an officer directly to the school site unless the incident commander makes that request.

# Lockdown Levels

- Level 2: Caution

- Students are kept inside classrooms. Unsupervised movement on campus is prohibited. School staff will conduct thorough site patrols to ensure all students are in a classroom. This level will necessitate an officer be deployed directly to the school for communications, command and control purposes.

# Lockdown Levels

- **Level 3: Emergency**

- This level is initiated when the incident poses a significant threat to the safety of the students at the affected school, and will result in the most substantial steps being taken to maximize student, faculty and public safety.
- Students take positions of safety within the classrooms;
- All students will be immediately brought into the nearest classroom;
- Classroom doors will be locked and everyone will remain inside;
- Close any shades, drapes or blinds;
- Turn off lights and cover windows;
- Take roll and note any students from other classrooms;
- Follow campus emergency protocols;
- Wait for further instructions from school staff.

# Deployment of Officer Liaison to the School

- In the event of a Level 2 or Level 3 Lockdown, a Safe Schools Officer will be directed to the affected school ensuring the safety of the students and to facilitate the orderly operation of the lockdown from initiation to conclusion
  - Direct communication between school administrators and the police Incident Command Post
  - Plan and coordinate school evacuation, if necessary
  - Plan and coordinate reunification with parents
  - Notification to school administration of incident resolution





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## LOCKDOWN PROCEDURES

### Level 1: ALERT

#### Activity In Neighboring Area

- ① Perimeter is secured and on and off campus access restricted.
- ① Normal activity on campus.

### Level 2: CAUTION

#### Activity Adjacent To Or On Campus

- ① Students and staff are to go inside locked classrooms/offices.
- ① Unsupervised movement by students/staff on campus prohibited.
- ① Any necessary movement needs prior administrative approval.
- ① Ignore passing bells. Wait for "all clear" before leaving classroom.
- ① Police will be deployed to site.

### Level 3: EMERGENCY

#### Activity Poses An Imminent Threat To Safety

- ① Students and staff will take the most immediate position of safety within a classroom or office.
- ① Lock/secure doors.
- ① Find a location out of sight and remain there.
- ① Turn off lights and close any shades, drapes or blinds if possible.
- ① Take roll, note any students from other classrooms.
- ① Wait for "all clear" before leaving classroom.
- ① Police will be on site.



# Lockdown Data

- 7 Public School Districts
- 9 High Schools
- 7 Junior High Schools
- 49 Elementary Schools
- Total = 64 Schools

## Lockdown Data

- Review of calls for service from:
  - Feb 1, 2018 – Feb 14, 2019
- During that time there were *205,799* calls for service
- 18 School Lockdowns < 0.009%

# Lockdown Data: Average, Level, Duration

- An average of two lockdowns per month
- Duration average = 29 minutes
  - Shortest lockdown = 2 minutes
  - Longest lockdown = 2+ hours
- Level
  - Level 1 = 6
  - Level 2 = 8
  - Level 3 = 2
  - Unknown = 2

Male with a gun and possibly on drugs	Stoddard ES	1	24 Mins
Buena Park vehicle pursuit	Brookhurst JH	2	10 Mins
Subject with a blow torch	Benito Juarez ES	2	2 Mins
Subject armed with a knife stealing	Palm Lane ES, Ball JH	1	15 Mins
Gun shots heard outside the campus	Anaheim HS	2	1.5 Hours
Foot pursuit with OIS and perimeter	Sycamore JH	?	1.5 Hours
2 Males fighting in the park next to school	Roosevelt ES	2	11 Mins
Subject foot bail	Savannah HS, Juliette Low ES	2	3 Mins
Subject in the parking lot of the school	Juliette Low ES	2	4 Mins
Subject running with a warrant	OC Christian, Western HS, Twila Reid ES	2	54 Mins
Buena Park Vehicle Pursuit	Twila Reid ES, Western HS	2	30 Mins
Subject jumping into backyards	Peter Marshall ES	1	2 Mins
Resd Burg w/ vehicle pursuit and foot bail	Gilbert South, Loara HS, Sunkist ES, FS Key ES	3	2+ Hours
Someone shot in Station 18's area	Salk ES	3	16 Mins
Foot bail	FS Key ES, Gilbert South	1	6 Mins
Poss shots fired and uncooperative subject	Savannah HS	?	6 Mins
Subject with knife outside the school	Roosevelt ES	1	11 Mins
Phone threats to multiple OC schools	El Rancho JH, Canyon HS	1	?



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