



## Threats Against Schools

May 8, 2018

## *Agenda*

- Investigating threats
- Communicating with parents and the media
- Discipline of students who make threats
- Developing a safe environment
- Responding to student walkouts and protests
- Takeaways

## *Background*

- History of school shootings in the United States
- 303 school shootings since 2013
- In 2018, an average of one school shooting per week
- Mississippi school shootings

## *Investigating Threats*

- No playbook
- Threats made in school
- Threats made on social media
- How do you start?
- When do you involve law enforcement?
- What if you don't believe it is a real threat?

## *Communicating with Parents and the Media*

- What do you say?
- When do you say it?
- How do you communicate your message?

## *Discipline of Students*

- Miss. Code Ann. § 37-13-92
- Student not charged with a crime
- Student charged with a crime
- Due Process
- Alternative school
- Young students and students with disabilities

## *Developing a Safe Environment*

- Premises
- Personnel/SROs/Other Security
- Training
- Legislation

## *Responding to Student Walkouts/Protests*

- What does the First Amendment say?
- What is allowed?
- What is not allowed?
- What are the issues if walkouts are permitted?

*Takeaways*

**QUESTIONS?**

**OUT IN FRONT**



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