



Three Minutes.

- Once notified, Law Enforcement will respond to an Active Shooter as quickly as possible.
- Response time averages about three minutes.
- Your immediate actions should be focused on maximizing your personal safety until Law Enforcement is able to stop the threat.

What You Do Matters.

AVOID starts with your state of mind.

- Pay attention to your surroundings.
- Have an exit plan.
- Move away from the source of the threat as quickly as possible.
- The more distance and barriers between you and the threat, the better.

DENY when getting away is difficult or maybe even impossible.

- Keep distance between you and the source.
- Create barriers to prevent or slow down a threat from getting to you.
- Turn the lights off.
- Remain out of sight and quiet by hiding behind large objects and silencing your phone.

DEFEND because you have the right to protect yourself.

- If you cannot Avoid or Deny be prepared to defend yourself.
- Be aggressive and committed to your actions.
- Do not fight fairly. THIS IS ABOUT SURVIVAL.

CALL 911 when you are in a safe area. Inform the 911 operator that this is an active shooter situation.

When Law Enforcement arrives,
SHOW YOUR HANDS AND FOLLOW COMMANDS.



For more information: www.AvoidDenyDefend.org
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