

TENNESSEE SCHOOL SAFETY SURVEY COMMENTS

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Responses to open-ended survey question:

“What other items should policymaker look at to make you and students safe and secure in the classroom/school?”

**Comments have not been edited for grammar or content.*

1	Policy makers can look into Obama's "Promise" Program, which gave incentives to schools that did not notify about nor prosecute certain groups of students for crimes committed at schools. How can we protect schools when certain students who are violent/troubled are not put on lists that prevent them from obtaining guns or prevent them from entering school premises?
2	this is a mental health issue
3	Ban the sale and use of AR-15s and other military-style weapons that are designed to kill multiple people. If I can't purchase an Abrams tank and fire in my backyard, then why not eliminate access to other weapons of mass distraction?
4	#8 extended: I do not want teachers to carry guns, however if I was in an active shooter situation, I would prefer to have one to help protect students, than not have anything at all.
5	1. IP - cameras for schools 2. A working intercom system 3. School improvement - get rid of windows that occupy an entire classroom wall and get working widow shades 4. Once trained administrators are trained/armed/deputized/bonded, that list has to be private and NOT available to the public at any time. 5. Mandatory safety training for active shooters. 6. Consistency across all school districts and schools.
6	1. The glass in the door to my classroom is easily broken. Even if my door is locked, once the glass is broken, the intruder need only turn the handle to gain access. Also, my door opens out into the hallway. This makes barricading very difficult. I also think backpacks and other bags either need to be banned OR we need to make a policy of using only clear backpacks. The exception would be a very small purse (maybe 3" by 6" limit) for girls to carry sanitary supplies when needed. 2. Our guidance department is absolutely too BOGGED under with all of the testing scheduling and administration and other duties to actually be readily available for counseling students. They are drowning in administrative red tape. They only deal with crisis situations as they arise. No time available to do what they were originally trained to do--help students.
7	1. Disiplinary action that is followed through with when students misbehave. 2. Quality mental health services. Just because some are available does not mean that they are effective. 3. Make school enjoyable for teachers and students by doing away with common core and standardized testing. The powers that be have sucked all of the joy out of education for all evolved!!!! Students who are happy learn more and are not as prone to violence!
8	1. Fast track passing policy for properly trained teachers to carry on campus. 2. Provide safes with fingerprint ID for certified teachers to properly store firearms safely. 3 Provide rewards for individuals that report legitimate potential campus dangers. 4. Enforce stiffer punishment for juveniles that commit violent crimes. 5. Allow local law enforcement agencies to maintain offices with 24 hour access on school campus. 6. Upgrade and increase the number of digital cameras on every school campus. 7. Require all school staff and school boards to attend Lt. Dave Grossman's seminars on school safety. 8. Encourage use of corporal punishment 9. Less fire drills and more practical drills. 10 metal detectors
9	1. Hire highly trained, mentally stable, military or preferably non-military (to reduce the risk of PTSD issues) officers to be a constant, visible, daily presence in every single school, making regular patrols and safety checks, rather than periodic, maybe weekly patrols (current situation). 2. Provide tools to quickly and effectively secure classrooms more than simply locking door handles and recommending knocking over furniture to create a barriers/blocks.
10	1. Metal Detectors 2. Require schools to lock doors and have scanner system 3. Require schools to have a plan and purchase locking devices for doors to prevent entry. 4. Require schools scan visitors entering schools like raptor 5. Require a point of entry for visitors such as office in which they enter from the door not enter into a cafeteria and walkthrough a crowded cafeteria of kids or

	large student area to get to the office. 6. Require schools to drug test and background check existing staff periodically not just one time when hired then for 30 years it is never checked again. 7. Require a stiffer penalty for educators that are guilty of relationships with students! 8. Stiffer penalties for teachers guilty of bullying students!!! Safety is more than being prepared for an outside threat, although that extremely important. We should make a complete safety plan to include the threat within! Sorry I tried to be brief.
11	1. Someone in the schools should be made aware of all students that are being treated for a mental emotional issue. Some of these students are not on a special education census. 2. Funding needs to be made available to school districts to hire or contract with agencies to provide guidance to the school staff on how to work with these students or to provide service to the student in the school environment. This would help address both the school safety and suicide issues.
12	1. Staff carrying firearms must have updated background check and meet with psychologist for mental check. 2. Every classroom needs a door that locks; 10 of ours don't even have doors! 3. Schools need program that encourages all students.
13	1. We need alternative education programs to provide a more conducive for their learning 2. SRO 3. Mental health support 4. Some way to hold parents accountable
14	A buzz in system at the front door so the office entrance can remained locked at all times. Keys to outside doors for all teachers, not just their own classroom, to prevent having doors propped open to be able to reenter again simply because they do not have a key.
15	a few SRO officers
16	A large percentage of our classrooms have no doors and no fortified wall structures in order to get doors. THIS IS MY BIGGEST CONCERN -- NO DOORS ON OUR CLASSROOMS. Our students do not wear badges, but I believe we are in the process of changing that for the oncoming school year.
17	A lockdown device from inside the classroom, that would make it impossible for the door to be opened from the outside. (No key required to lockdown the room)
18	A perimeter fence with guard around every school.
19	a person's intent will be carried out you cant stop that but you cant be proactive not reactive. Let us protect ourselves. Stop emptying buildings out into open parking lots where cars can be large explosive bombs and people are moving targets. we are not thinking like the military does in drill planning.
20	A requirement that ALL parents must enter a certain door. Parents are allowed to enter our building during all times of the day.
21	A way to bolt classroom doors so they cannot be forced open if lock is disabled.
22	A way to lock your door from the inside, instead of having to go outside my classroom to lock my door with a key.
23	About 50% of the classrooms at our school don't have doors. Visitor passes and locked outside doors won't prohibit a student from entering the building. If an incident were to occur, many students and teachers would not be able to successfully protect or barricade themselves as necessary.
24	ABSOLUTELY don't arm teachers!!!! The cost of training, etc. would be much better spent on increasing the SRO presence. This is a HORRIBLE IDEA!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
25	Access to mental health. More SRO's Money for districts to spend on safety that they need. Use lottery money
26	Active campaigns which connect students with mental health issues with caring adults will make the biggest difference. I think allowing school personnel to carry guns should be highly monitored and extreme training should occur, only with the recommendation of admin and perhaps peers. No teacher or admin should ever be required to carry a gun...however, if the public knew there was the possibility, it might deter some. There should certainly NOT be any MORE gun laws. We need to just enforce the ones we have...perhaps upping the background checks.
27	Add another SRO
28	Adding SRO officers to elementary schools and having licensed teachers with carry permits be allowed to carry at school.
29	Additional armed security
30	Additional cameras throughout school

31	Additional funding for school systems to improve school safety. Additional mental health support for students.
32	Additional SRO on high school campuses because of large size.
33	Additional SRO staff in school, additional patrols in school area, fencing around the school
34	Additional staff trained to address mental health issues in students and teachers. Provided additional training on best practices to survive an active shooter situation. Replace doors to classrooms with bullet proof materials and equip teachers/ staff with other bullet proof items to serve as a front line of defense. Provide metal detectors for all schools. Additional SROs for all schools K-12. Provide education for parents on signs of depression and where to go for services /help.
35	Address conflicting rule, regulations, and laws that prevent schools/districts from using door hardware to secure doors during an emergency.
36	Address mental health issues.
37	Address ownership of semi-automatic weapons.
38	Address the core problem of students without purpose! Rather than every student being forced into courses and curriculum they cannot achieve causing them to feel less superior and not taught that even though they struggle, they still have a purpose! Schools need to be building networks into the community job market rather than pipe lining students to college! The issue is what educators have created from the top down!!! All these fixes we here about are band-aids rather than addressing why they feel hopeless to begin with. We are now third and fourth generation hopeless and these are the products of what we have created in education. Entitlement, lack of work ethic, everyone gets a trophy, etc... then when things don't work out the way they thought retaliation happens leaving us with these messes!
39	Addressing mental health
40	Addressing mental health issues with students more thoroughly
41	Administer assessments twice a year to test their mental health is up to par.
42	Administration ONLY be approved of carrying guns. Teachers should NOT be allowed to carry guns.
43	administrator abilities to handle situations in an orderly manner
44	Advocate for tighter gun controls.
45	All adults should be stopped and not be allowed past the office. During the morning our school is open to all. We all need an armed officer!
46	All classroom doors and walls need to be replaced with bulletproof ones
47	All classrooms need doors which open to the inside and can be locked.
48	All of the measures listed above would help--our administration (<i>Name withheld</i>) PLEASE help us make them do this immediately; I've been asking for a plan and drills since I started in 2004.) is working on some of them and a few individual teachers are starting making and practicing classroom plans. As for carrying a gun at school, it's a Catch-22--I'd like to have a firearm for protection but it would make me more of a target and I'm unwilling to try to defend anyone but myself with my weapon. I'm not trained enough and I don't want that obligation. As much as I love teaching, I will likely leave the profession if I'm expected to engage in a shoot-out. I didn't sign up for this. Thank you for working on this, the most crucial project of all!
49	All outside doors locked all day with an armed guard at the front & back doors all day & metal detectors before anyone is allowed in.
50	All public schools should have armed SRO officers on campus all day, every day.
51	All school should be like ours and make sure all students basic needs are meet and that no students are isolated. Our connection to each other keeps us safe.
52	ALL SCHOOLS AND PRESCHOOLS AND DAYCARES SHOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO PROTECT THEMSELVES WITH FIREARMS, OTHERWISE WE ARE SOFT TARGETS AND WILL REMAIN SO.
53	ALL schools in TN should have armed SROs

54	All schools need SROS and secured entrances. Video linked to law enforcement. More secure classrooms. Changes in fire alarm protocol to allow admin time to check the fire panel to see if it is a pull.
55	All schools should have a full- time SRO. I also think metal detectors in all school buildings would be beneficial. We have them at all other government buildings and airports. Why not schools?
56	All schools should have sro
57	All students have rights - not just special ed/exceptional students. Students who make threats or bring smaller weapons are allowed back in school because these actions are considered to be "a direct manifestation of their disabilities"! This has to stop!
58	All students should be required to wear iID just like the staff
59	ALL times of the day students are present, not just M-F 8-3...afternoons? nights? weekend games?
60	All windows should be bulletproof. Every school should have armed officer.
61	Allocating funding for all schools to have SRO officers, not just Middle Schools and High Schools. Building funds so school entrances would be safer. Most elementary schools do not have any means of protecting office personnel. No way of buzzing people in from main entrances.
62	Allocation of monies for training and equipment, vetting for and encouragement of parent volunteers, safety locks and entry systems at all schools (automatically locking doors, scan cards only for entry, one entrance only to schools at all times for students, money provided to allow awnings and walkways to be built to that one entrance)
63	Allow administrators more leverage in removing students from the student body and school who show no desire or motivation to get an education.
64	Allow certain, trained teachers to carry concealed weapons
65	Allow concealed carry by those teachers and administrators that so desire with extensive vetting and training required of carriers.
66	Allow me to protect my children with the same means that someone would harm them with.
67	allow mentally stable and trained teachers to carry a firearm to school. its the only real safety measure for all classrooms.
68	Allow parent volunteers to patrol our school and grounds during the school day
69	Allow teachers to be armed with training. Don't blame the NRA!!!
70	Allow teachers to carry guns.
71	Allow teachers to carry.
72	Allow teachers to have firearms locked up in the classroom somewhere to access if needed, Replace all doors that have glass windows or air vents in them-they would easily allow a shooter to enter or shoot into any classroom, require SROs or armed professionals as every school (my school doesn't have an SRO-we didn't make the county budget for one), install metal detectors, do not allow just anyone in the building for any reason (every person who rings our bell is "buzzed" in by office staff - we don't know who these people are or why they are coming to the school).
73	Allow trained and certified teachers and administrators be armed
74	Alternative learning settings for children struggling with mental health issues and/or behavioral issues.
75	Alternative schools should be open to students of any age who pose a threat to the safety of students, faculty, and staff. There should be serious consequences for violence and/or threats of violence by students of any age.
76	Alternative settings for students that have mental health issues where they can receive intensive intervention(s).
77	Although admission is only via intercom, I feel that people wanting to grant access to our schools, even though those means, should be screened better. Anyone can ask for access and be buzzed in easily.
78	Although counselors and teacher identify students who pose a substantial threat to others, they are unable to address some of these mental health issues, and parents often deny that these students have any issues.

79	Although we have procedures in place, they are not practiced with fidelity. The most unsafe times of day for us are the morning drop off and afternoon pickup hours, as well as special activities after school hours.
80	Always take EACH threat seriously. Always press charges.
81	An actual plan to follow if something does happen
82	An emphasis must be made on teaching students how to interact with others. Children today must learn how to play, how to listen, how to be in control...which hinders the increased push to achieve in academics. Too many children do not come to school with the social skills they need to succeed, and then we are pushed to avoid the teaching of those vital skills so they can read, write, and do math because a test dictates success.
83	An SRO is needed full time in every school with the latitude to use safety measures necessary to restrain a violent student.
84	An SRO Officer at every elementary school. Patrol of local police around the schools each day.
85	An SRO preschool would be good.
86	Another SRO and more counselors
87	Any mandate that is developed not have additional funding schools have to put in their local budget (no non-funded mandates). Student offenders along with students who falsify shooting or bombing schools have strong court discipline.
88	Any teacher who must be thoroughly trained and mentally stable before cleared to carry a firearm
89	Anything, but have teachers carry weapons into the classroom.
90	Appropriately trained school personnel should carry or have access to firearms to engage an active shooter and present a hardened target.
91	Are the SROs fit to be carrying? Do SROs need to only work 6-8hrs at a time to keep on their feet? Mine woes 15hr days because he also stays for the after-school program.
92	Arm teachers
93	Arm trained teachers throughout the buildings and take down the signs that invite shooters
94	Armed guard not teachers at 3 points of entry. Meet each entrant, and monitor student movement inside the school. Don't base everything on money. What's one life worth??
95	Armed officer at entrance of building, Bullet proof glass or materials for doors that are vulnerable, Metal detectors used on all entering building, All classroom doors should be able to be secured, Silent alarm in each room
96	Armed police at school at varying times, but especially during assemblies with lots of outside guests.
97	Armed security
98	Armed security
99	Armed SRO as well as unidentified staff as well as metal detectors. Maybe gated entrance with a guard!
100	Armed SRO at each school.
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102	Armed SRO at every school.
103	Armed SRO in every building full-time
104	Armed teachers is a really bad idea, ask any Special Ops or police officer. Need to be proactive not reactive. Councilors, relationships, and student eyes are the keys. We cannot hide in fear, we must control the schools and we do that through partnerships with students, parents, community, and staff.
105	Arming teachers is a bad idea! Schools to be able to partner w/ local law enforcement. Local LEO should be familiar w/ school campuses and buildings.
106	Arming teachers will add additional responsibilities and be a distraction to their ultimate goal being there to Educate the student. Providing a safe environment is the responsibility of a specific team in the building
107	Arming teachers will in no way make schools safer. Stricter gun laws, ie waiting periods, screenings, and the type of guns available will. Let's keep our children safe.

108	As a principal of a pre-k to 8 grade school, I did not choose a profession where I had to carry a gun to work. I'm concerned about the over stressed teacher that would snap and have the gun. The job is too stressful for those in the teaching profession. What is needed is more staff to assist with behavior situations, an alternative setting that is well staffed for students that need mental health support. Communication on what to do with the knowledge of "this child is going to hurt someone someday," and move forward with a better facility to house students that need mental health support. Today's school is more about mental health and students with special educational needs and support and rights rather than focusing on academics for all. The right to a free and public education is not a true statement as those that are not diagnosed with some disorder are the ones whose education is suffering. Start looking at alternative behavioral schools and support and stop looking at the regular school to once again fix the crisis at hand, please. Bring in armed trained guards that are trained and wanted to have that lifestyle to keep our students safe. Just let my teachers teach and stop solving all the issues. Bring us an alternative setting, the staff and support we need.
109	Assault weapons ban.
110	At least one-armed SRO in every school.
111	At least one SRO at every school, middle school's SRO number based on student enrollment, and more SRO's at high school's school because of greater risk/students driving; give administrators with the proper training the option to carry
112	At least one teacher should have a license to carry in addition to an administrator and the SRO.
113	At the Elementary level, we have more issues with parents than students in regard to safety. Police presence during arrival and dismissal outside the building with teachers on duty outside would be extremely affective. Also, police entering the building to establish a presence for parents bringing in late arrivals and at dismissal for late pick-ups.
114	Background checks for gun ownership.
115	Background checks in all visitors. More security during drop off and dismissal.
116	Backpacks should be checked or have rules about what type of backpack a student can have. Metal detectors are a must at every school
117	Ban AR-15s and high capacity magazines
118	Ban assault rifles and raise the age to buy guns and limit magazine size
119	Ban assault style weapons, stringent background checks for all weapons purchases, waiting period to purchase guns, increase the age to purchase firearms, strict enforcement of the law when firearms are involved.
120	Ban automatic weapons and pay for consistent SRO security not occasional security. Our system thinks the answer is more camera coverage. For what? To watch a tragedy, happen?? Let's protect ourselves!
121	Ban civilians from assault type weapons such as AK47s, AR15s, etc.
122	Banning assault rifles, instant centralized background checks, close loopholes for gun show and private purchases, access to affordable mental health care.
123	-Barracuda door stops or something similar -bulletproof/stormproof safe rooms for schools
124	Barricades for all classroom to put in front of the door, since the fire marshal is not for this. Think about how many students have died in fires compared to shootings?! Not many... and it is been since the 1950's. Paid for by the state! Also, if teachers are allowed to carry they need to pass a mental health exam beforehand.
125	Be aware, must instill see something, say something, even if this did not work in Florida, but must continue. We must protect our children, hire trained police officers to monitor the school, federal monies needed for funding.
126	Be stricter on our security measures, all personnel doesn't follow all the safety procedures and administration doesn't check on or enforce it.
127	Be reasonable with gun legislation
128	Behavior problems that begin in kindergarten and keep on thru the teenage years.

129	Being proactive in getting weapons of war out of civil society...or at least make the bullets cost \$50 each.
130	Better background checks and banning assault rifles and silencers
131	better background checks, better access to mental health, heavy restrictions on gun ownership, regular training and checks for gunowners
132	Better cameras
133	better discipline/follow-up when students make verbal comments/threats toward other students and teachers.
134	Better enforcement of the backpack rules and teachers being more aware of where students are when they leave class.
135	Better exterior lighting outside school buildings and in parking lots for darker winter months.
136	Better lock down measures along with practiced drills. Discussion in classrooms and with the school population about security during an "active shooter" situation. Possibly more SRO officers (we only have one) --what happens if he is shot or doesn't respond as in the situation in Florida?
137	Bigger stance on banning or curtailing social media and phones in school. Cut down on bullying.
138	Biometric safes for a very few, highly trained and highly screened admin/teachers to have a firearm. Tighter gun laws and background checks, especially for handguns and assault rifles.
139	Block all forms of social media during the school day!
140	Build automatic doors that can be activated from any place in the building that could shut off areas in case of an intruder. This could be done for all windows too. Now I have no solution for the safety of our students who ride buses. This is an unaddressed area that is never discussed anytime or anywhere. It is just a matter of time before someone figures out how easy it would be for someone to enter a bus and harm our kids. There are no protocols and training for bus drivers that I am aware of. Also, playgrounds are wide open. I pray every day that some deranged person doesn't think about this. Honestly only vigilance is about all you can do unless you put an offer out on the playgrounds during class times. Resource officers are needed at all schools Our school gets a resource officer once a week for half a day.
141	Build onto the school to eliminate portables.
142	Bullet proof glass and doors/locks. High risk students should be known by law enforcement and monitored
143	Bullet proof glass film would be extremely helpful in newer buildings. I would like a full time SRO dedicated to my school at all times. I feel confident we area as safe as we could possibly be at this time.
144	Bullet proof glass in the school buildings, badge readers like the high security buildings have.
145	Bullet proof glass, Better intercom system, military personnel on hand, & automatic locking mechanism on all doors.
146	Bullet proof glass. Doors that lock with a key from both outside and inside the classroom. SRO in every school, every day.
147	Bullet proof tint on all windows. SROs in every building (currently we share one with two other schools). Mental health professionals in every school in addition to school guidance counselors.
148	Bullet proof vests for teachers willing to train and carry firearms at school.
149	Bullet proof windows
150	Bullet proof windows Stronger doors
151	Bulletproof and tornado proof safe rooms/shelters
152	Bulletproof doors, items such as the sleeve that slides over the inside door hinge, bulletproof shelters in the classroom. When it comes to protecting children, I believe there should be no price tag that is too high.
153	Bulletproof film on doors and windows. The knowledge that there is more than one armed person on site
154	bulletproof glass
155	Bulletproof safe rooms in each classroom.
156	Bullying Issue

157	Buzz in system
158	Cameras in the classrooms.
159	cameras on all buses; safety improvement team to submit funding for safety improvement plan each year.
160	Cameras, smaller class size,
161	Cell service near all schools
162	Change the legal purchase age of a gun to 21 for all guns. Ban bump stocks and high-capacity magazines. Have more social workers/counselors in schools.
163	Classroom doors that lock from the inside. Teacher should not be asked to leave their students to go into the hall to lock classroom doors.
164	Classroom doors with windows should a barrier to keep people out even if the glass is broken.
165	Classroom items to block the door from opening.
166	Classrooms should be "safe rooms" - make it harder the for the bad guys to get inside
167	Comprehensive prevention plan along with an active shooter plan
168	Concealed Carry for trained teachers and staff...
169	Concealed carry permit holders should be allowed to carry in school.
170	concerned about outside recess time, playground would be easy target for drive by shooting, beside streets, open area, etc.
171	Concerned that fire codes do not allow doors to open interiorly. This minimizes the blockading of doors against intruders; also, codes prohibit safety ladders for escape from second floors. Addition of SRO officers, metal detectors, mental health counselors, training for teachers to work with students with mental health issues and spot students with mental health illness (possible shooters).
172	Consequences for students who make threats rather than just saying "oh it is just him"
173	Consider letting students who have no college plans graduate with a basic diploma after 10th grade. This would get most of the troubled students away from our buildings before encountering all of the academic and social struggles of the 11th and 12th grade.
174	Consider safety measure such as those safety rooms that can be installed in classrooms (I've seen them on Facebook, and they are supposedly bulletproof.).
175	Construction materials used in and design of schools. On the former point, having glass doors defeats the purpose of their being locked. On the latter point, the layout of our school creates certain "chokepoints" through which people exiting the school would be massed, making for a more "target-rich environment."
176	Continue to create a culture that all students and staff report suspicious activity.
177	Continue to educated all stakeholders with current policies and updates
178	Control guns. First amendment has restrictions. So should second amendment and that includes barring sales of semi-automatic guns
179	Controls on semi-automatic weapons, improved background checks, eliminate loopholes to registering gun purchases, develop a system to keep mentally unstable people from owning firearms.
180	Covering the outside classroom doors/windows and window on the inside classroom door so that students can't be seen directly
181	Decrease school population sizes. Fewer students to target. Greater chance to work with students that need counseling.
182	disallow backpack and cell phones during school hours and monitor all hallways between classes
183	Discipline and consequences to inappropriate behavior.
184	Distribute door jams to increase classroom safety if an intruder arrives. Camera security in hallways that is monitored by a security officer during the day
185	Do not allow more weapons in school. We need increased mental health training, full time school nurses, and other preventive measures to ensure we are raising healthy kids.

186	DO NOT ALLOW TEACHERS TO CARRY GUNS - I WILL RETIRE THE DAY THAT HAPPENS. I know the people here - BAD IDEA!
187	DO NOT APPROVE OF TEACHERS HAVING FIRE ARMS at school!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
188	Do NOT arm teachers
189	Do not arm teachers!
190	Do not designate armed teachers but allow permit holders to carry at school. The public encounters armed teachers every day when out shopping or at church without incident yet we are forced to disarm at school where our protection is needed most.
191	Do not let teachers carry guns!!!!!! They will be scared and not protect kids, They will be scared and shoot the wrong kid, They will have their gun taken by a kid who shoots people, There will be a crazy teacher with the gun carry permit, or i will run out into the hall looking for a shooter and be shot by the SRO or attending police who mistake me for the bad guy in a time of crisis. I know we back whatever crazy plan the conservatives are pushing this week but for the love of God himself please have some common sense and lobby against having armed teachers!!!
192	Do NOT let teachers carry guns. This does not solve the problem.
193	Don't publicly designate gun free zones.
194	Door Chocks, controlled entrance and exit
195	Door jam devices, bulletproof shields, most students want metal detectors
196	Door jams on every door.
197	Doors lock from inside
198	Doors need to lock on the inside of the classroom. We also need a plan and practice it on a regular basis
199	Doors that can be locked from inside
200	Doors that lock properly. Doors that do not require the teacher to exit the room to lock with a key. Doors that open inward so they can be barricaded.
201	Due to the fact that my classroom is a portable, I'm aware of how easy it would be for an outsider to come off the highway and attack my students and myself.
202	Each room or suite rooms should have a communication radio.
203	Educate parents about security, what is not allowed at school, and to deal diplomatically with school personnel. Laws that teach respect for authority.
204	Education is the key for all teachers and counselors. We need to be more proactive with troubled kids.
205	Education of school personnel to respond appropriately to active shooters and threats through proactive responses both through mental and physical means. Being more observant of warning signs in our students and their cries for help.
206	Electronic door locks for all outside doors and all students, faculty, etc. have electronic key cards to be able to enter the facilities.
207	Eliminate automatic high-powered rifles for public consumption. Build capacity for mental health services in community. Background checks for all purchases of firearms.
208	Eliminate gun-free zones. They are magnets for trouble.
209	Eliminating gun-free zones
210	Emotionally disturbed and violent students need to be placed in a separate facility with doctors who can treat them.
211	Enforce all faculty and staff wear visible picture ID's with name at all times. Enforce visitors ID as a visitor no matter who it is.
212	Enforce the gun laws currently on the books. Take all threats seriously and investigate objectively.
213	Enforcement of students not opening outside doors. More cameras. More armed staff. More armed patrols.
214	Ensuring there is funding to all school districts to change/install locks on interior doors. Many buildings were constructed long before we had concerns about student safety in regards to intruders; thus, large spaces such as cafeterias and gymnasiums often have doors that do not lock.

	Local districts do not seem to make it a priority to install locks or change doors in order to keep both students and staff safe in the event of an intruder.
215	every classroom should have a door. One-way entrance into school that goes straight to office only. Maybe locked front door with a buzzer to let people in. Teachers SHOULD be able to carry concealed weapons with training and permit. I am a female military in the inactive army reserve and confident in marksmanship. Please we really need to be able to protect ourselves, our students and our co-workers! Times have changed we do not need to be sitting here not able to help!
216	Every possible preventive measure. Violators suffer swift and immediate consequences
217	Every school needs to have an adequately armed, extensively trained SRO full time. All locks should be maintained and properly working, both interior locks and exterior locks.
218	Every school needs a behavioral specialist to help with our increased population of mentally ill and extremely aggressive behavioral students as young as kindergarten. We need more help at a younger age than ever before. I can get help some for 6th graders and older, but it is almost impossible for anyone younger.
219	Every school needs a guidance counselor- not based on enrollment- Too many students have emotional issues that need addressing and help- If there is just one child it is worth it.
220	Every school needs a psychologist to treat student st an early age.
221	Every school should have an SRO.
222	Every school should have provided for them (not at the expense of local funds) a security system where visitors are viewed, must state their business, and have to be buzzed into the very front entrance before ever gaining entry into even the front office at the school.
223	Every teacher should carry/ have access to a walkie talkie,
224	Extra pay for teachers willing to carry a firearm and train
225	Extra SRO's for middle schools and high schools. Teaching students how to deal with pressures, anxiety, and depression.
226	Family counseling services
227	fence in school property
228	Fence in the school property with closed/locked gates during school hours. Empathy classes taught to students Metal detectors at all school entrances
229	Fence/ secure all schools. Select, screen, fully train, and arm appropriate employees. Promote social / family responsibility. Act on mentally risky threats.
230	Fences around the campus.
231	Fences with barbwire
232	Financial support to arm teachers (help with training fees)
233	Find a way to make portables safer
234	find the funds for an SRO to be at every school for the entire school day.
235	Fire code needs to change so that lockdown drills can be done more effectively and efficiently. A child has not died in a school fire since 1954. Also, your question about carrying a firearm at school limited my response. I would prefer to keep one in my office in a finger swipe safe rather than wear it at all times.
236	Fix buildings that leave students exposed when changing classes.
237	Follow through with discipline. The school can only do so much if we know a student could be a threat. We have had a student create a hit list a few times and all that happened was a suspension because they hadn't done enough yet to change placement. That needs to be changed.
238	follow up with students who have frequent behavior problems, by recommending and scheduling counseling
239	For teachers wanting to carry a firearm, school systems should provide insurance for those teachers. Teachers should be required to undergo extra training and provide proof of Concealed Carry License
240	For those of us with a carry permit, additional training, pay, and insurance should be offered.
241	front door is open to anyone wanting in without any admittance. easy entry from CTE doors (need enclosed) Outside peremeter is wide open to whoever wants to walk up

242	Full time SRO
243	Full time SRO at every school. Metal detectors needed. Emergency button needed in the office that calls law enforcement. Bullet proof glass would be good. Deputize some of the staff to carry a weapon at school.
244	Full time SRO Officers in every building every day.
245	Full time SRO... fire marshal regulations that prevent us from using specific items that allow teachers to secure classroom doors from inside without breaking fire code.
246	Fulltime SRO in every school
247	Fully funding guidance counselors and social workers would be beneficial.
248	Functioning cameras and exterior doors that lock would be excellent. Also, classroom door opens out into the hallway so barricades won't work and often require teachers to be in the hallway in order to lock the door.
249	Funding for additional support staff to assist with troubled students, making it more likely to address more students' issues rather than just the very worst.
250	Funding for buzzer systems that work.
251	Funding for metal detectors. All students, teachers, parents, visitors, etc. must pass thru it. Funding for a 2nd SRO in each school.
252	Funding for more officers/SRO at schools especially schools who have no SRO.
253	Funding for SRO in all schools
254	Funding for SRO officers needs to be considered for ALL schools.
255	Funding for SRO's
256	Funding for SRO's in every school Funding to improve exterior and interior doors, locks etc.
257	Funding for SROs, locks, etc. There just isn't enough funding for basic things, let alone the things we need for safety.
258	Funding for the things mentioned above!!!!
259	Funding full time SRO in each school. Ours have to share/split time between 2.
260	Funding outside mental health services for students that make the school population unsafe. Funding alternative settings schools for students that are not safe for the school population. When you have all these trainings and safety measures in place and the "enemy is from within", how effective is that?
261	Funding to assist in retrofitting old school buildings with technology to control access (e.g. doors with card scanners to control who goes where on campus), updated camera systems and better communications systems. These items are very expensive and out of reach for most school districts.
262	Funding to help support securing schools. (ie. metal detectors, full-time SRO in every school, securing entrances with a buzz in system and bullet proof glass). measures are currently being taken to improve these things but all schools in our district cannot be improved at once due to insufficient funding.
263	Funding to place an SRO in every school.
264	Funding to put SRO in each school (currently we only have an SRO office that floats throughout the cluster-assigned to at least 2 schools) Bulletproof windows/doors
265	Funding to support safety upgrades to school buildings.
266	Further procedures for classroom safety, more training for teachers in an active shooter situation, more security measures such as better door locks, etc.
267	Get help for the emotionally disturbed kids. More counselors.
268	Get rid of portable buildings. Develop a plan for kids going from one building to another in high school. Build schools with double entry. Build schools with windows that are near ceiling or bullet proof. Build schools with playgrounds in a courtyard. Students carry clear backpacks. Do away with lockers. Follow through with reports of concerns. Ask high schoolers to give feedback on how they think a perpetrator could enter. Allow teachers to carry their personal cell phones and have an alert texting system that call be sent to all teachers at once. Teacher alternate ways to protect oneself in

	case of an emergency. Have a one button alert system for the bus driver in case of an incident on the bus. Thank you for asking us!
269	Getting kids with known mental health issues out of the regular population of the school. It's time to stop being politically correct. People are not all the same. It's unfortunate that some people have mental health issues but that does not mean we should not treat them differently when it comes to putting them in the regular school population. We are always trying to protect the rights of people with mental problems. When are we going to start protecting the rights of people who don't have mental issues? The signs were there with the last shooter but nothing was done because of political correctness.
270	Give us and other small schools funding for an SRO Officer. Fund schools to build security entrances into the buildings. Give us counselors to deal with student issues as well as more help for those (not just students) with mental illnesses. Thank you for asking.
271	Guidance counselors should be able to meet with their students at least 2-4 times a year to check in with them with the option to see them more often if needed. Currently guidance counselors at my school have too much on their plate with testing that they so not have the time to do this.
272	Guidance Counselors should be required for every 100 students especially for students in grades 6-12 when situations of bullying become more intensified as students began to grow and change.
273	Guidance counselors should teach character, emotional awareness and strategies for managing stress, anxiety, and differences in personality. I teach first grade. My students receive very little of this, and what they are getting is out of date and irrelevant in today's world.
274	Gun Safety Courses for Educators.
275	Have 6 SRO's per high school-2 patrol outside, 2 patrols 1/2 of building & the other 2 patrol the other 1/2 of school. Split up paper work & after school requirements (sports, etc).
276	Have an armed SRO
277	Have an SRO in all Elementary schools.
278	Have better areas for students to hide in the classroom.
279	Have extra police stationed outside of the building.
280	Have honest conversations of where the problems truly lie. Instead of it becoming a political football we must seriously address current questionable social mores.
281	Have students that are continually dealing with violent episodes and mental health issues removed to an alternative setting. I have seen this happen multiple times over the years. These students continue to disrupt the learning environment when they clearly have other issues that need to be addressed first. Having the students continue in the regular setting is a timebomb waiting to go off.
282	Have teachers, who want to participate, armed and trained for an active shooter. Post this information outside every door!!
283	Having a full-time SRO would be a good start!
284	Having a school psychologist available to speak with students who need more than a guidance counselor's help would be great. Also, if there were more services available to students and teachers who are in need of mental health, social services, or counseling would provide students and teachers with resources to help those who need it.
285	Having an SRO in all elementary schools would be a good idea.
286	Having armed SROs a requirement by law at every school.
287	Having Police at the school on a daily bases (Everyday) would help. School Counselors are not qualified or certified to work with students that have mental illnesses. I feel that evaluating teachers is no longer necessary-School safety is the issue now. We do not practice "active drills" -It would help if we did.
288	Having someone at the drop off station to monitor who enters building
289	Having SRO at schools when buses and car riders arrive at school. We don't have an SRO in the school until 20 mins after the kids arrive.
290	Having to be buzzed in after id check
291	Having to make people pass a "mental health check" in order to buy a gun!!!! Providing more free mental health services for students in schools!!!!

292	Help kids with mental health issues better.
293	Help parents with parenting skills.
294	Help teachers with unruly students. More support to principals in dealing with all students. Programs to help students.
295	Helping students to fit in and feel compassion for others: service projects... to stop violence before it starts.
296	Highly trained and armed teachers with less than lethal rounds/lethal rounds available.
297	Hire retired armed service personnel to patrol the halls.
298	Hire vets to protect schools.
299	Hired security. More important and effective than arming teachers. Former military/police as everyday presence.
300	Hold administrators accountable when they don't discipline students for infractions
301	Hold meetings to educate teachers and other staff members in what to do if something happens.
302	Hold students accountable for small misbehavior before it escalates. We are too focused on our statistics being low in the areas of discipline.
303	Homeland security versus state fire marshal regulations for devices used to secure doors
304	How do we keep students safe on school buses in the event of a shooter?
305	I am a veteran trained in internal security tactics and a gun owner. I think arming teachers is an incredibly bad idea. If called, I will do so, but it's not wise.
306	I am an administrator at an elementary school of 1000+ students, and we have never had an SRO. I feel having an SRO would greatly improve the safety of our school and ease parents' anxiety.
307	I am at an elementary school and I think education for our students is key at this level. I do agree that more emphasis needs to be placed on mental health because more of our elementary students are showing signs of severe mental health issues. Unfortunately, most of our student's problems stem from unsettled home environments in which children are raising themselves. I feel the key to making our students safer at school will come when our students come from safer environments at home!
308	I am not sure that educator's need 40 additional hours of training in order to carry a gun on school premises. Higher ed carry without additional training, why would K-12 need that? I am willing to pay for my hand gun permit if needed to protect my school/students.
309	I believe a system of checks should be in place to enforce any policies that is decided by the legislature.
310	I believe that background checks should be stricter.... a person should not be able to just go and purchase a semi-automatic weapon...I am a supporter of NRA; however, I don't see the need for a person to have a semi-automatic weapon.... Check out the gun laws/regulations in Ireland.....from my understanding they have much less crime than the U. S.....
311	I believe that trained military officers should patrol schools. I do not think that teachers and administrators should be offered the additional opportunity of training for the purpose of being able to carry weapons on campus. School administrators and teachers should lead and teach. Nothing else.
312	I believe we need funding to secure our front doors so that all visitors must be buzzed in. I also believe the secretary should have protective glass such as what is found at the bank or jail to speak through. People who come to visit should have to present a photo id and log in via an iPad that snaps their picture. I would love to see SROs in all schools too rather than teachers have to carry a firearm. Even though I have been through training and received my carry permit I would not leave my students if we had an active shooter. I would use it to protect my students in the shooter entered my room but having an SRO who is highly qualified and had training through the police academy would be the most effective way to protect our students. We also should have a full-time counselor at all schools.
313	I do not believe teachers should be able to carry firearms. The main concern for the teachers in the classroom should be to get the students to safety. Administrators are more likely to be the school personnel to respond to an active shooter along with the SRO.

314	I don't want to add "one more thing" to anyone's plate, but we have got to have more mock drills. Finding the time is a nightmare. How can you not?
315	I don't know. It is a complex issue. Too many people in this country have too many guns.
316	I don't think policymakers need to do anything else. We have plenty of tools at our disposal now. Our school system leads the state in emergency preparedness. Other schools should do the planning and training that we have done. It is an ongoing process.
317	I don't think teachers should be armed. If the SRO needs help, it should come from administration to be able to carry weapons but I as an administrator don't want to do that either.
318	I don't think teachers should carry sidearms. I was in Special Operations for 30 years and retired a couple of years ago. All I have to do is close to you and your weapon is mine. Most people are shot with their own weapon! Stronger background checks!!!! NO ONE NEEDS AN ASSAULT WEAPON!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
319	I feel like having a SRO officer in all schools would be a great help. They are more commonly seen at the secondary level where students bringing a gun may be an issue. At the elementary level, our concern is a disgruntled parent/family member. I feel, having an SRO officer or even a police car parked outside could possibly be a deterrent.
320	I feel like the best deterrent has already been mentioned. Allowing teachers/administrators to carry firearms and posting signs around the building would deter possible shooters.
321	I feel more attention needs to be on building relationships with students instead of test scores. Students that feel disconnected are the ones that are hurting and are more apt to become active shooters. Please let personnel spend more time with students that are lonely and hurting. This issue is so much more important than allowing us to carry weapons. Let us become the weapons to combat loneliness and build these children up to become productive members of society.
322	I feel schools need to have less windows in large areas like cafeterias. It worries me to see a wall of glass in an area so accessible to a parking lot. I feel playgrounds at elementary schools make us vulnerable.
323	I feel that all schools should have at least one SRO or someone who is equally qualified. I think arming teachers is one of the last things we should do and only on a limited basis.
324	I feel that teachers carrying fire arms who are trained properly would be effective and is needed
325	I feel the school grounds should be more secure, not just the buildings.
326	I go to two schools each day. They are both small, located in side rooms of malls. One of the schools has locked doors at all times, and all visitors must be buzzed in by the secretary. The other school, however has an open front door and no armed security on the premises. This needs to change, in my opinion!
327	I hate the idea of metal detectors but possibly that might help in certain situations.
328	I have no idea. This issue starts at home.
329	I have no suggestions.
330	I Luv You Guys . Com Camera Surveillance
331	I need a key to lock my classroom.
332	I personally think arming teachers is an idiotic response to school safety. Teachers are asked to do enough each day! And asking them to take on a role of law enforcement is a tipping point. An SRO for each school should be provided. In an emergency, these are the people who will act without hesitation.
333	I really think employing multiple armed guards at schools may be the solution, although it is expensive
334	I think all schools including elementary should have SROs. We do not have one. I only think administrators or teachers with military backgrounds should carry firearms into school property. We also need more training for students who are aggressive in the classroom. We have students in elementary schools who have tantrums and behaviors that put others in physical danger by hitting, pushing, throwing chairs etc. We need school psychologists employed at every school for the mental well-being of students with these troubled behaviors. We need to start interventions at the elementary level so they do not progress into more dangerous behaviors on the middle school and high school level. Teachers need to be supported and the students need intervention. We need

	guidance counselors to be more accessible to our students and not overwhelmed with data and testing. We need social workers at every school to help assist the families. The families must also be held accountable for their child's behavior. We need to introduce social skills and emotional skills for all students and give them the resources to handle their feelings. This is more than a gun issue.
335	I think having an SRO would be beneficial.
336	I think our school should have a buzzer system so no one can come in the building once school starts unless the front office buzzes them in the building.
337	I think schools should be funded to update their buildings to become safer. For example, I have I to look my classroom door from the outside and my door swings outward. So update school locks. And my old high school doesn't even have doors on most of the classrooms. Also, I think Elementary through High School should have an on-site SRO Officer at the schools instead of arming teachers. Also, County or City police patrolling the schools everyday making their presence known to outsiders and insiders.
338	I think that an armed adult should be visibly present as students enter the building, exit the building, and during any large group gathering.
339	I think that every person that makes a threat should receive punishment and a mental health evaluation! Sometimes we hear "They aren't really a threat" or "They really didn't mean it". If something is reported, it should not be looked at as just a prank or someone was just mad. Every threat should have consequences and I believe that too many times we are eager to explain it away. After all, we don't want to look bad. Not my thoughts. Every child should not have to be scared to go to school, or even put up with students that have disabilities that cause them to attack or throw things. These students with destructive disabilities need to be in a differently controlled school with the environments that meet their needs. Too many times regular ed students are subject to violence and situations beyond their control and their right to an education is being threatened.
340	I think there needs to be more funding to upgrade buildings in order to improve safety. For example: At the school I work in, when someone comes in the front door they have access to the entire school. We have a buzzer at the door for entrance, but the front door doesn't open directly into a lobby where they are forced to enter the office. Also, I think there needs to be more done to provide counseling to students starting in Kindergarten. We have students that need help outside of what our counselor can do...they need therapy or a psychologist. The problem is that our students that need it most come from situations where no one will take them to counseling or therapy. I am not a big advocate of "more guns", but I do believe people will think twice before shooting up a school if they know there is an armed guard, an SRO, or a well-trained employee with a gun ready to defend the school.
341	I think we are safer here than most places.
342	I think we probably need metal detectors in all schools because lately the shooters have been students.
343	I think we should have additional fencing outside along with constant parking log monitoring.
344	I will leave the profession should educators be allowed to carry firearms while on campus.
345	I would like cameras that work and windows that don't open from the outside. My students also leave the building to go to PE. This is dangerous because there is not a fence around our school and any student could be abducted or run into the trees.
346	I would like to have a device that I use inside the classroom that keeps the door from being opened from the outside. I would also like to see a full-time SRO.
347	I would like to see training in firearms for those teachers that feel comfortable with it.
348	I would love to have a device (not a key) to slip over our door hydraulics that would make the doors harder to open. There is an item called "The Sleeve" that I think would be helpful.
349	I'd like to see more money (grants?) available to schools who create initiatives to build a feeling of community in the schools so that the communities can work to heal themselves. In any area where schools have relatively easy access to police (ie. not extremely rural areas), arming teachers is not going to create an environment of success for students. It's going to shift the balance of control even further away from students, which breeds distrust and the type of isolation that keeps kids from reaching out for help.
350	If a student has a mental disorder, they should be in a separate building or monitored very closely.

351	If any school in our zone is on lockdown each school should be notified immediately even if it is not our school.
352	If concealed weapons are allowed, there needs to be yearly training and discounts at firing ranges for practice on your own.
353	If personnel are authorized to carry inside a school building, not only do they need their carrying permit, but also have special training in order to carry.
354	If teachers are allowed to bring firearms on campus. They should undergo the same psych evaluation and preparedness training that police officers do.
355	If teachers/administrators are allowed to carry firearms, they should receive equally as much training and continued training as the school's SRO. They should not be trained by the SRO, they should be trained alongside the SRO. There should be a limited number of armed teachers in the building, and they should receive a small monetary stipend so that LEAs can hold employment power over their position to ensure that armed staff are participating in the necessary continued training.
356	If we aren't permitted guns, what about Tasers...industrial mace.... I don't know... we're all scared.
357	I'm in annex building with no cameras, easy to get to without going by office from outside.
358	Implement tight security in all school buildings.
359	Improve clarity of video on cameras; place more cameras so every area of hallways, etc. are visible; better system to save film when needed; film on all outside glass to keep shooter from being able to break the glass and enter the building; replace locks and doors that are easily breached. It is always the teachers that make effort to protect the students. We need the ability to do a better job of it. Another important safety effort is to give us the authority and allow us to restraint walk students out of a classroom when they are interfering with the learning of others and/or threatening/scaring other students and teachers. It is ridiculous for us to keep students in the classroom who cause classmates to fear them or fear being at school. Students need to receive the message they cannot behave in this manner and remain in school.
360	Improve gun control laws.
361	Improving access limitations at the schools' entrances.
362	In addition to the teachers having classroom keys, each room (including labs and workrooms) should have a device to lock the doors. The Sleeve or other additional hydraulic door locking devices are easy ways to efficiently barricade the intruder outside the classroom. Many times the students are in a room which is not locked and the teachers do not have access to the keys, such as computer labs, science labs, or health room. Substitutes do not have access to keys, so they cannot not lock the door if they have the need. Also, teachers have to go outside the classroom to lock the doors. It would be safer and more efficient if we could slide the device over the hydraulics of the door. They range from \$70-\$85.
363	Include funding for mental health needs of students
364	Increase age for buying firearms to 21 of any type. Stop selling Assault, Automatic, or Semi-Automatic guns-make them available only through military service or policemen. Re-open outpatient and inpatient mental health facilities for all ages with special programs for minors that are covered by insurance. People psychologically predisposed to become teachers are not geared toward, nor should they be asked to be prepared to shoot perpetrators. They would have joined the police force if that was their nature.
365	Increase capacity at KOSS. Some students are no longer fazed by ISD and know they will never be "sent off". A more real threat of expulsion from the school campus could be helpful to either reduce the incident of repeat behavioral offenders or remove student who are angry and have repeated outbursts.
366	Increase funding for safety
367	Increase in armed SROs is more important than arming teachers. There should be a ratio of some kind.. every 400 students require 1 SRO (for example).
368	Increase mental health opportunities and REQUIRE parents to seek help for themselves and their children when needed. Anytime a threat is involved, a mental evaluation should occur before a student or parent can return to any school.
369	increase of trained security personnel in buildings.

370	Increased counselors / social workers available
371	Increased mental health training Increased funding for training teachers in deescalation strategies Remove teachers who bully. Hold parents accountable for the actions of their children Increase funding for training teachers on community building
372	Increased security presence outside of the building to monitor activity, especially during student entrance and dismissal times when the building is more accessible. Possible jobs for trained, armed veterans to monitor security of the building.
373	Increased teacher training on what warning signs to look for if an individual intends to commit a violent act at a school.
374	Individuals who make threats need to be prosecuted, their homes searched, and weapons confiscated. Merely sending to alternative school or expulsion is not acceptable.
375	Inform teachers or make teachers aware especially if the teachers name is on a hit list. Especially if I'm a door greeter in the mornings at least make me aware if there has been a threat made against me or the school.
376	Inside locking door-bars in classrooms.
377	Install classroom doors that lock from the inside. In case of lockdown we have to step into the hallway to lock our doors , potentially exposing ourselves and students to danger.
378	Instead of arming teachers at a 1:75 ratio. Let's look at increasing counselors and school psychologists across the state. TN has 3 districts in the national AWARE program. The state could replicate their work to get needed supports for students.
379	Instead of guns, I would suggest that teachers carry the tasers that can shoot.
380	Intercom and/or bell system to let people in front building to enter
381	Investment in surrounding neighborhood to create an overall safer environment
382	Juvenile Judges in place that enforce the law with consequences that are more than just a slap on the hand like community service
383	Keep doors locked.
384	Keep guns out of schools, no teachers with guns.
385	Keep politicians out of the schools! Until our justice system fulfills its duties, everything else is a mute point.
386	Kick out crazy students
387	Law enforcement patrolling randomly would be helpful.
388	Legislature needs to focus more on this kind of situation happening than allowing the state fire marshal free reign to make districts exhaust their budgets on these items. It's been since 1954 since a student burned in a school fire. How long has it been since one was shot in a school. Our priorities are screwed up!!!
389	less than lethal weapons. I see what police officers go through. I see the types of decisions they have to make. I do not want to be responsible for pulling a trigger that may end up taking a student's life away. At the same time, I would like some means of defense in case I need to protect the students in my class room. I would like for teachers to be allowed to carry less than lethal weapons. (i.e. tasers, pepper spray, rubber bullets) Please allow me to have some means to defend the children in my room other than just standing between them and the person who wants to harm them. I will do it if it is required, but it would not be my first choice.
390	Limit age to buy firearms
391	Limited entry/access points for every school. Random patrols from law enforcement in addition to full time SRO at every school. Plans for how to evacuate in the event of an active shooter: best response to an active shooter: 1) RUN 2) Hide 3) defend. To train our students that their only option is to sit and wait is ludicrous.
392	Limiting access to our building in the morning. Anyone can come in
393	Limiting direct access to the campus. All visitors, parents, and students need to enter at one point. Increase use of outdoor surveillance, access gates closed or manned for the entire school day, gates have firm open and close times if there is no gatehouse for armed security personnel to use.

394	limiting sales of assault weapons; regulating and requiring registration for possession and private sales of all firearms through county clerk's office; provide additional social-emotional support staff
395	listen to teachers
396	Lobbying lawmakers to tackle gun control in a meaningful manner, declare NRA funding to electorate.
397	Locked gate around entire school area during day.
398	Locking doors from inside of classroom, bulletproof windows, more drills to practice for any incident that could occur. Outside training on how to handle active shooter/intruder situations.
399	Locking doors on all classrooms
400	Long term consequences for offenses like bringing a weapon to school. Expelled forever?
401	Look at the issue of the breakdown in the home life. we have a high percent of grandparents raising their grandchildren, or single parent homes, or parents that are on drugs and alcohol so much that they could never be a "Parent" in their current state. The safety issue I believe starts at the home level and the breakdown on the family.
402	Look into the different types of 'tools' that will keep the doors from opening in any situation. Ex: The lock that goes on the inside spring at the top of the door or the lock and key tools that go into the floor or the side of the door.
403	Look more closely at the mental status of problem students who have been suspended, sent to an alternative environment, or have been expelled.
404	Lowering drop out age to 16.
405	magnetic door locks on all exterior doors
406	Make a higharchy of what trumps what. Meaning there are specific fire codes that would be a hinderance to protecting our kids from an active shooter. One example of many, Curtains on windows are not allowed at our school because of a fire hazard. It would be a help to prevent a shooting from accurately shoot inside if a visible barrier was in place. It needs to be weighed, Schools fires are more likely but less lethal. In my opinion active shooters is more a threat than a fire at a school.
407	Make doors lockable from the inside. Teachers carry guns.
408	Make EVERY school have to have an active shooter protocol and PRACTICE it. Pay for teachers/staff to be properly trained with firearms as an incentive for them to do so and feel safe carrying them.
409	Make it easier for administrators to remove discipline problems before problems occur.
410	Make parents and students aware of what signs to look for and ways to healthily address mental health concerns as well as promoting the mantra "If you see something, say something."
411	Make sure every school has an armed SRO officer. That should be sufficient to protect our schools in a crisis if the SRO does his/her job.
412	Make sure every school in the state has an armed SRO, that has been trained through the police academy.
413	Make sure guns are nowhere near schools, not in the hands of minors, not purchased by those unfit to have them, and make ammunition unbelievably expensive.
414	Make sure parents don't allow students to have access to their guns. FBI needs to pay better attention to all information or calls made by an individual who is dealing with many home or bullying circumstances
415	Make sure that all laws and codes from the different State entities allow each school to provide the safest environment that it can throughout the day. There should be no conflicts. (I could keep my school safer in my opinion but I must abide by a policy from my Fire Marshall.)
416	Make the politicians give up on the deranged idea that teachers should pack heat--even for a bonus.
417	Making schools safe does not start with security. It starts with making schools more positive for marginalized students. Investing in programs that reduce class size, provide response to intervention services, and social emotional supports from elementary school are more effective than guns, police, and politics. We don't invest in the front end and the results are that we have to invest on the back in. Standardized testing is part of the problem. You don't trust me to teach without a test but you trust me enough to want me to carry a gun. Messed up priorities.

418	Making sure all outside doors are always locked
419	Mandated parenting classes when recommended by school administration. Greater concentration on stronger family ties. Parental follow through on recommendations, or imposed repercussions. Students lack discipline, self-control, respect for authority, and exhibit attention seeking behaviors. Law enforcement should be allowed to access to school discipline records when necessary.
420	Mandatory back ground check of anyone buying a firearm, and all agencies...law enforcement and non-law enforcement share all information and keep it up to date.
421	Mandatory parenting classes. It's a parenting issue mostly. I have watched the family dynamic be torn down since I was in school. We allow everything in school at the risk of hurting feelings. If everyone is special, then really no one is.
422	Many more professionals to work with emotionally disturbed, ODD, IED, etc. These students hurt teachers, staff, and other students daily. I am more likely to be hurt by a student inside the bldg than from outside.
423	Materials the doors are made of, how they lock (I can only lock mine from the hallway- that is Not safe), mental wellness checkups for all teachers (especially if any are ever allowed to carry a firearm).
424	Maybe arm principals-definitely NOT arm teachers
425	Mental Health
426	Mental health access/help for students.
427	mental health awareness and facilities to include full-time, dedicated school guidance counselors stricter gun-control laws, policies and procedures--NOT a ban on guns
428	Mental Health Awareness, Mental Health Protocols, funding for additional SRO's/Counselors and Medical Professionals available to collaborate with school administration/staff.
429	mental health awareness/issues
430	Mental health counselors
431	Mental health counselors would be helpful.
432	Mental health issues
433	Mental health of students and faculty/staff; zero tolerance and higher levels of punishment for offenses- students are not afraid of getting in trouble anymore
434	Mental health professionals on site
435	Mental health protocols need to be in place for students. Many of our children display behaviors that are unsafe for the adults that must be with them every day at day. We need more rules/laws in place to protect teachers from mandatory exposure to violent behaviors of students.
436	Mental health screenings for students
437	Mental Health Services readily available in all areas of TN for children's access. The funding for this service should not be the responsibility of education. Armed staff should be limited and approved by DOS and Admin.
438	mental health services should be more readily available and should be mandatory when children are exhibiting signs that they have the capability to be aggressive.
439	Mental Health staff for students. Most of our students are under tremendous pressure from school and home for many different reasons.
440	Mental health support for students who move into our schools who have been diagnosed with severe personality disorders.
441	Mental health support in schools. We have 1 counselor who is only there a few days a week and doesn't have time to meet everyone's needs.
442	Mental Illness and the fact that their rights surpass the rights of the whole. I have had at least 3 students who I can see doing this horrible act due to mental illness. The broken Department of children services and drug problem in the U.S. I have seen more and more children being raised by extended family and suffering neglect.
443	metal detectors security staff at all school entrances security check-in gate in order to drive onto school property Be proactive with security More mental health and counselors available to students Stop playing politics with school safety

444	Metal detectors, Stricter punishments from both school officials and law enforcement for those students who constantly cause trouble Not allow those students with an IEP to be less accountable for their actions, especially actions that endanger others Suspensions, expulsions or retentions should not affect the school's report card...many students are not disciplined in order to maintain a good standing or to avoid affecting the graduation rate
445	Metal Detectors & more SRO's
446	Metal detectors and SRO in every school. Ability of local emergency personnel to few cameras live. Alert/alarm systems. Fog "machines" in ceilings. Devices to use a barricade in classrooms. See NBC video regarding "the safest school in America."
447	Metal detectors and staffing to run them. Additional SROs I think both of these should come from federal or state funding.
448	metal detectors at all schools, electronic locks on all doors, SRO s at all schools
449	Metal detectors at every school, bullet proof windows, and more school counselors working with students.
450	Metal detectors for sure. Also, a harder way to enter the school such as flashing an ID before entering. We currently just have to push a button and the office buzzes us in. Anyone could technically get in at the push of a button
451	Metal detectors should be placed in all schools and backpacks searched before entering the schools. I'm not sure how to get every backpack searched unless you have trusted volunteers.
452	Metal detectors!
453	Metal detectors!! Bag checks!!!
454	Metal Detectors, bullet proof glass doors, armed teachers
455	Metal detectors, SRO Officer at every school, SRO officers should be rotated out with other officers. I believe if the same person has been at a school for many years with little or no incidents that there is a level of complacency. Guidance counselors need time to focus on important issues for students and provide the support if possible.
456	Middle school and high school should definitely have metal detectors.
457	Mindset training is needed.
458	Money and resources should go to the root of school violence which is the social-emotional health of our students. The heart of all school shootings has been due to a person feeling left out, bullied, out of place, etc. kids are mean to each other and until they realize how much their words and actions affect others no amount of Steele is going to stop the problem. We need to solve this with our brain not our brawn.
459	Money for more social workers and school psychologists will be a tremendous help in identifying troubled students. Access control and badge systems can make a difference. Let's not waste our time with all of this nonsense about arming teachers. The liability issues alone make it impractical.
460	More access to mental health professionals. I feel like we have several students with mental health needs that are not getting those needs adequately met. Legislation which helps us be tough on students who make threats or who post violent material on social media.
461	More armed officers and/or school personnel
462	More armed personnel in the building (could be teachers, police, security guards, etc.) The most effective way to stop an attacker with a fire arm is to return fire with your own fire arm.
463	More armed presence at schools
464	More armed security guards and for school campus's that are open like ours, a better way to check parents and visitors in. Like a guard station at the gate instead of letting someone drive completely on campus and expecting them to come to the front office and check in. On our campus they could just skip the office and walk around to our courtyard. It's scary!
465	More background checks and get rid of the gun show loopholes
466	More cameras
467	more cooperation with law enforcement and all staff involvement in safety plans
468	More councilors with better training. Strict training and qualifications for armed staff members. If allowed

469	More counseling
470	More counselors to work on violence prevention, anti-bullying, empathy and compassion!!!! Smaller classroom sizes to improve relationships and monitoring/dealing with discipline faster and more effectively!!
471	More discussion WITH students about school shootings and how it affects society
472	More finances for districts to convert older buildings with portables to safe buildings that can be easily locked such as with a key fob system.
473	More funding and allow National Guard to patrol schools.
474	More funding for LEA and they make decision as to how to spend on safety
475	More funding for mental health professionals to be in the schools. Additional funding for SROs in schools.
476	More Guidance counselors.
477	More guns don't increase school safety...
478	More highly trained police/faculty carry guns on campus.
479	More in-service training to actively prepare
480	More measures to address bullying.
481	More mental health awareness for teachers and students. Students know students more than teachers do. They know when students say alarming things, but rarely report so they are not the "snitch". We have got to get rid of that stigma. We need more open conversations and listen to what our students are needing. They may only be 12 & 13, but they know what they need and we need to listen to them.
482	More mental health counseling and interventions.
483	More mental health counselors.
484	MORE mental health professionals in the buildings.
485	More mental help professionals at the elementary school level. These troubled teenagers mostly likely started as troubled youth. Catch them early and get them help!
486	More money to the school district for safety. Allow locals to determine where it is best used to make the schools safe.
487	More monitoring of front entrance daily of the school. Keeping schools' front doors shut with someone standing at door to let students in school. Anybody can just walk in through the front doors without question in the morning when SRO is not on duty and our volunteer is busy assisting students out of cars due to the doors being wide open.
488	More outside patrol & assistance with mental/emotional issues.
489	More parental involvement, more exercise instead of drugging students for behavior problems.
490	More patrol cars in the area.
491	More patrols
492	More police in schools. Metal detectors More cameras Auto lock down systems
493	More police officers, more guidance staff, proper education for parents to know warning signs, resources
494	More qualified mental health counselors & social workers! More time for teachers to build relationships & less stress from the state on useless standardized testing & bogus data!
495	More safety to the buildings
496	More school counselors and social workers are needed. At this time, I am the only school counselor for our school of 400. Our national association for school counselors recommends 1:250 ratio.
497	More School Counselors to deal with all issues as they arise and to be able to present more violence prevention information and activities!! Also, smaller class sizes so teacher can build better relationships with each individual student and deal better with discipline and student personal needs!!!
498	More school counselors. Also, please refer to them as School Counselors. Guidance counselors is no longer the correct term for that profession
499	More school psychologists to help students; don't waste all their time testing

500	More secure behavioral class procedures in place. They are in general population.
501	More secure classroom safety...bulletproof doors, panic alarms in each room with direct link to police department.
502	More security (barriers) for office area.
503	More security officials need to be present at every school.
504	More services for those students who have mental health issues and are not capable of getting along in a school setting.
505	More SRO officers at school
506	More SRO officers in school districts. Having a few spread thin is unsafe.
507	More SRO personnel- One in each school
508	More SRO.. SRO in all schools even elementary
509	More SROs. Educators are there to educate not enforce the law with a sidearm! There are to many things that can go wrong when an educator has a gun.
510	More SROs
511	More SROs daily in every school
512	More SRO's or security guards. Everyone in the building at all times including teachers and students should be required to wear a photo ID. More guidance counselors. Take discipline more seriously.
513	More SRO's per campus. Classroom doors locked at all times. Metal detectors at designated entry points. Designated entry points for students and faculty. More security cams and more real-time monitoring of cams throughout the school day. Intense training program(s) by local law enforcement and Bureaus of Investigation to prep Faculty to carry concealed. Background checks for any and all faculty that will carry on campus concealed. Firearms training and practice opps provided for carrying faculty. Required training and background checks for carrying faculty each quarter.
514	More staff, and substitute guidance for safety. Constant checks and updates for safety (doors, windows, etc. checks) by administration and staff.
515	More SRO's
516	More strict discipline
517	More teacher training.
518	More than 1 trained adult in the school with the resources to protect our students. Either extra volunteers who are background checked and armed or capable trained teachers being able to use firearms
519	More time for helping and teaching our students along with more resources. Less testing!
520	More time to address social and emotional skills in class (ex. a 20-30-minute morning meeting)
521	More. Gun. Control. Period. We don't need more guns to solve the problem.
522	Must have SRO's in every school. Must have specific legislation to address social media and other types of threats of School violence with harsh penalties. Must have facilities to handle juveniles with mental illness who also exhibit violent tendencies.
523	My class is located in a portable beside the road. An addition to the main school needs to be added to get rid of all portables on campus.
524	My concern as a kindergarten teacher is keeping them quiet in an emergency. Could we use loud music over the intercom as a lock down alarm? This would cover sounds of children in the building.
525	My concern with staff carrying a gun is in the case of emergency they fired and hit a student???
526	My opinion is that the root cause of troubled individuals that would take an action to harm others (in a school or otherwise) is the breakdown of families. An armed teacher or more counselors might reduce the risk, but the bottom line is parents aren't being parents and kids are constantly dealing with not having their basic physical and emotional needs met. The damage is so deep by the time they are teens that I don't know that anything a school can do can fix it. We can only try and, on occasion, there will be one that slips through the cracks and snaps. Can we as a country do something to build families?

527	My school does not have a full-time SRO. We share with the school next door. He walks over each day to see if all of our doors are locked. He spends less than an hour in our building each day.
528	My school does not have a SRO
529	My school is an environment friendly building with NUMEROUS windows. Stop building schools with so many windows and those of us in a building with so many windows need to be tinted so as not to see inside or changed to shatter proof or brick them up
530	My school was built in the 70s (open concept), and we have NO doors! This is unacceptable!
531	My students do not have ID badges. I feel they need to have them as well as having to swipe them when they enter and enter each room or else the room remains locked.
532	N/a
533	N/A
534	N/A
535	NA
536	Na
537	Nationwide protocol for school safety: universal entrance with armed police throughout the school day. Guests must be checked in through one entrance and then admitted into the school.
538	Need a full time sro
539	Need doors.
540	Need full time SRO and more training
541	NO AR-15s or any other weapon in that category should be available to civilians.
542	No glass classroom outside doors or entry doors.
543	No guns in school
544	No machine guns may be purchased to citizens --- only law enforcement and military personnel.
545	No more military style weapons in the hands of civilians, full and thorough background checks, allow gun research, make sure people with violent pasts don't have guns
546	No portable classrooms
547	None at this time
548	NOT allow teachers to carry guns. This will only add to an unsafe environment.
549	NOT arming teachers. More counseling support and human resources, not guns.
550	not sure at this time
551	Not sure.
552	Off duty officers manning the front door.
553	One or two teachers maximum might be considered to carry a weapon on campus. No one should know who they are except for administrators. It should not be forced on any teacher who does not want to carry a gun.
554	Only have trained teachers who are mentally stable themselves should carry a gun or have access to one in extreme dangerous situations.
555	Open classroom facilities should have doors installed.
556	Open communication between schools/children's services/courts/police/etc. so everyone knows about potential threats (e.g., a student may have a potentially-violent parent who is a concern to police and maybe DHS, but schools are blissfully unaware that he may explode during a visit to the school for something like a parent-teacher conference or even open house).
557	our doors lock from the hallway, should lock from inside room
558	Our doors should remain closed and locked at all times, and they are not. The only ones closed and locked at all times, are the classrooms that the teachers decide to do so in.
559	Our outside doors don't always latch well, so classroom teachers may not always be as safe as possible. Doors need replaced, but the cost is keeping that from happening immediately.
560	Our parking lot could be more secure by locking it during the school hours.
561	Our police department is concerned that if teachers are armed, then they will shoot the teacher who is only trying to help rather than the perpetrator.

562	Our school counselor is completely tied up with Testing coordinator duties for at least 3 months. This is a common thing in TN schools for the guidance counselor to also serve as testing coordinator. Regardless of how people feel about guns issues, EVERYONE agrees that mental health issues are a significant factor in these tragedies. This would be the 'easiest' quick fix. Also, even if she could give 100% of her time to counseling, we 'split' her position between 2 schools -- that is 650 students. In regard to the counselor serving as test coordinator, this is a direct violation of TN State Board of Education Policy (5.103)
563	Our school does not have a fulltime SRO and I feel that that should be a definite in every school!
564	Our school has a lot of classrooms that do not have doors.
565	Our SRO also monitors the playground areas when students are outside, this really helps us feel safer. I just don't think it is financially possible to incorporate all the safety items we need. I believe that we are doing the best we can with the limited resources available.
566	Outside safety of students at playgrounds during "state required" recess.
567	outside video and visitors must ring to be let in. ALL doors locked at all times, even the front door.
568	Parent involvement, or noticeable lack of involvement.
569	Parents need to be held accountable. We need a vocational program. Not everyone is college bound.
570	Parents should NOT be allowed to walk children into the school and to their classrooms every morning. There needs to be metal detectors when entering (parents, teachers, and students).
571	Partnerships with local law enforcement. Our local PD sends 2 uniformed officers to our high school everyday during all lunches in addition to the two SRO's we have full time. During that 1.75 hours we have 4 armed officers on campus.
572	PASS STATE LAWS ALLOWING LAW ABIDING TEACHERS WITH CONCEALED CARRY TO CARRY ON SCHOOL GROUNDS. I WOULD BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO SIT THROUGH A MONTH-LONG TRAINING BY A "REAL TRAINING BODY" NOT LOCAL HICKS WHO THINK THEY KNOW.
573	Patrolling neighborhoods more frequently. Mental health screenings of at risk students and citizens wanting to purchase a firearm. Metal detectors. Veterans allowed to volunteer and patrol the parking lots.
574	Peep hole in doors with no window. Anonymous reporting 24/7. Metal detectors!!!
575	people just need to start being nicer to one another
576	Perhaps have guns in lock boxes in addition to allowing teachers/administrators carry concealed handguns
577	Perhaps hire a security company (armed) to help secure the campus.
578	Perhaps offering gun manufacturers an incentive not to produce such weapons and ammunition - maybe a tax break of some type. Passing mental health initiatives to provide assistance and places to care for those in need. Make laws were a person with mental health issues cannot buy a weapon. Provide money to have all schools set up with additional SROs not just one - base it on building size and student population.
579	perhaps we should have shields similar to the ones the police use for entry during warrants in the classrooms. Seems more feasible than arming teachers who aren't trained to avoid possible crossfire.
580	Perimeter fencing. Updated security cameras that are of good quality. Building safety updates (our building was built in 1958...We have 30-foot by 12 foot window banks in every classroom. Poor ventilation, and no easy way to call the office via intercom system)
581	Place at least one SRO at all times in all school buildings.
582	Placing more than one SRO in each school
583	Playground is wide open to road. No protection at all if something were to happen.
584	Please do NOT allow anyone but trained law enforcement officers to carry guns in schools. Teachers have enough to worry about without worrying about extra guns around.
585	Please don't allow teachers to be armed in school.

586	Please help school systems implement the new school counseling policy. (It ensures proper counselor time usage, leading to more mental health care for students. It has been slow to get implemented b/c someone must pick up all the non-counseling tasks that counselors are currently doing in TN.) The idea that arming teachers increases the likelihood of students being killed in crossfire. It doesn't decrease the risk of an attack, it just increases the likelihood that more people get shot if it happens.
587	Please make it against the law to hold elections in school buildings when school is in session. We stop all security measures and throw our doors wide open to droves of strangers.
588	Plenty of mental health providers and resources for families of struggling students.
589	Policy can't make us safe. We need to listen and be vigilant. We have kids who are not connected. We need to make connections with those kids. We need to pursue getting them help when necessary. We need to listen to gossip and take that seriously.
590	Policy makers should make it mandatory that all school facilities have working heat and air for the safety of the students so that doors do not have to be propped open to have adequate air flow or receive heat. To keep all doors locked in a hot gymnasium is just dangerous.
591	Policy makers should move to ban the sale of assault weapons, require stricter background checks and longer waiting periods for all gun purchases, prohibit all private sales of guns, require licensing, registration, and mandatory liability insurance for gun owners.
592	Policymakers should implement an assault weapon ban and stricter regulations for gun ownership and should stop talking about arming teachers. Schools should be one of the safest places for students, and weapons should have no place in schools no matter who is carrying them.
593	Policymakers should realize that law enforcement personnel are simply average people who have been trained. There is no reason that willing teachers can't be trained to help protect our kids. Our public schools are the softest targets in our society. That needs to change.
594	Possible call buttons around teachers necks or on keys to press if shooter is in their room or to let others know that everyone is ok and accounted for without the shooter knowing. Similar to LifeAlert but for the situation of an active shooter.
595	practice lockdown drills regularly.
596	Presently I work at UTC and there are protocols for an active shooter. Unfortunately for schools, which I am in and out of weekly, need to have locked doors especially to the outside, and be careful as to opening those doors to an individual.
597	Prevention tools for classroom doors. Something that teachers can put on doors to prevent them from opening. Getting parents more involved in their child's education. Mental health education for parents, teachers, and students. More SROs in schools
598	Preventive screenings to assess risk level of students, especially if they have violent tendencies already
599	Primary schools do not have an SRO in our county.
600	Principals that take school safety seriously.
601	Proactive, not reactive
602	process/requirements for obtaining and keeping gun permit
603	Protection from the outside is the key. Stopping them from getting in is all we can do. Thank you
604	Provide a SRO for all schools, including elementary.
605	Provide additional finances for more SROs, security cameras, and entry access lockdown/swipe systems.
606	Provide enough alternative placements that as soon as the students acquire points, that they can move to alternative school. (No limit on the number of students that can go from a school)
607	Provide funding for rural school systems that do not have adequate funds to have SRO's at all their schools. Also, provide funding for older school buildings to be updated for security purposes. One way to fund such security and safety projects would be to add a special tax to all firearms and ammunition purchased that could only be used for securing our public schools for our students' safety.
608	Provide funding specifically for metal detectors, training, personnel, increase in pay for teachers that are selected and agree to wear protection

609	Provide funding to the schools to upgrade buildings with needed security devices/systems, door locks, cameras, SRO officers, etc.
610	Provide funds to make every school have a two-tier buzzer system. Concentrate on reality and not let their politics control decisions.
611	Provide help for little kids who show signs of becoming a school shooter now to try and change their path.
612	Provide ladders for classroom windows that are located upstairs for safe emergency exits. Armed SRO should check in any visitors after school begins with wave metal detectors.
613	Provide more mental health services
614	Provide services for students who show signs of being a possible threat.
615	Providing funding to place a SRO in every school would be the best measure we could take to increase school safety.
616	Providing funds for our county to add doors to our "open concept" school.
617	Providing mental health services to student and the PUBLIC! Gov. Haslam closed many beds the first few years in office to SAVE MONEY! Every school needs a FULL TIME SRO, NURSE, GUIDANCE COUNSELORS. Money is dumped into the BEP and is moved around by LEAs to other areas.
618	Providing the resources that teacher need in order to educate our youth. Putting guns in the school house is stupid & dangerous. Weapons have to be checked in prison and I don't want me or my child in a classroom with a gun.
619	Punish to the full extent of the law, those that make the smallest of threats and a lot of these attention seekers would go away.
620	Put God back in school. It is impossible to legislate morals. Only God can change a heart.
621	Put God back in schools!
622	put up a fence
623	Putting guns in teachers' hands is not the answer. They have enough to worry about as it is.
624	Quick safety mechanisms for our doors in our building.
625	Raise the age to buy rifles. Ban bump stocks. Ban high capacity magazines. Ban assault rifles. Basically, bring back Reagan's Brady bill but close the loopholes
626	Random patrols would be good.
627	Ratio of School Counselors to number of students in schools. ASCA recommends 1/250.
628	Reduce class sizes (especially in upper grades) so teachers can spend more time with each student (will increase teachers' awareness of students and their struggles, depression, etc.). Reduce sizes of classroom door windows and/or require bulletproof/resistant glass or emergency door window covering made of Kevlar.
629	Reinforced/bullet-resistant glass.
630	Reinstate and reinforce discipline in schools and reiterate to parents and other outside influences that undisciplined students will not be tolerated.
631	Remove disruptive students from classes more quickly when called.
632	Repeal the laws which disarm our staff who possess gun carry permits. We do not need new laws, armaments, or trainings. Simply decriminalize our staff's right to defend themselves and the students we love.
633	Require full time SRO officers at every school the entire day Monday through Friday during school hours. Some schools share SRO's and do not have them each day at all hours. Metal detectors should be used at the main entrance to school.
634	Require parents to do their jobs versus rewarding them for doing nothing.
635	Require school systems at the highest levels to enforce the policies already on the books regarding zero tolerance infractions of drugs, weapons, insanity. We suspend 180 days--system will not uphold. Cave to parents who appeal. Thus, violent and disturbed students right back at school.
636	require schools to have a fence around the school campus, rather than being an open campus where anyone can come on campus at any time, anyhow they want to

637	Required classes with units that help kids deal with social skills, anger management and personal management skills.
638	Requiring metal doors that open to the inside of the classroom (not outward) so teachers can blockade them and so they can slow the potential shooter down. Funds would have to be provided and designated for this purpose.
639	resolve conflict between fire safety protocols and student safety protocols; fund armed SRO in every school building (i.e., at least 1 in the middle school; 1 in the high school; 1 in each elementary)
640	Retired police officers and military could volunteer to patrol the schools. THEY have already been trained.
641	Retired veterans given stipends for their service at schools as extra security.
642	Reverse the law allowing handguns in my parking lot
643	Safe pods
644	Safe rooms or more trained officers on campus
645	Safety during recess and other times when kids are outside of the building, training students more in depth for when a shooter does come, providing more counselors, having counselors regularly check in on all students for mental health.
646	school building
647	School building updates including removing 1958 windows that run the length of each classroom (30 ft) & are 12 ft high in every classroom. Blinds will not work. Intercom system only allows one person at a time to use the system. Policy that requires teachers to take security more seriously
648	School buildings are obsolete for the modern world. New safety features are needed in every school. The improvements would likely be affordable if the members of Congress would give up a few of their perks. Since they didn't Use the public schools, they are out of touch and largely unfit to be making decisions about public education.
649	School campuses should not be an open campus. Should be required to have a fence around it.
650	School Counselors to be more available to meet with students in handling social/emotional needs rather than testing and non-related tasks.
651	School shootings are a reflection of our society. You hear of shootings every day. Just as countries work to limit weapons of mass destruction and who can have them, should we not do the same with weapons of mass casualties in our society? With the increase of the availability of assault style weapons and the decrease in mental health facilities, this has led to where we are today.
652	School Social Workers - Mental Health counselors
653	School systems must be required to and given the resources to hire more school counselors to meet student needs early on before century reach a critical level. Furthermore, schools must be required to use school counselors appropriately and not for other roles like testing and scheduling, which prevent them from meeting with students in a timely manner.
654	School systems need to follow zero tolerance policy. If a child brings a weapon (pulls out that weapon) knife or gun they should not be allowed to attend school but be reprimanded to alternative school as the policy states. This is not being followed in my county!!!
655	Schools are safe, teachers and staff know who the at-risk students are but stupid laws and deaf policy makers do not allow schools to do what is best for all students. We have students in our schools who should not be but our hands are tied due to bad policies and laws that have no business being applied in a school.
656	Schools are soft targets. We have to adapt and do what is needed to protect our students and staff. If a teacher is trained properly and has his or her concealed carry permit, then that person should be considered a candidate to carry their firearm. Until this happens, we are basically sitting ducks.
657	Schools are still open on election days with voting taking place inside the school. Doors are not secured and hundreds of strangers on campus. Voting should take place in places other than schools.
658	Schools need funds to help make them safer. We have things that need to be done, but no funds to do them.

659	Schools need more access to guidance counselors and social workers due to the overwhelming number of children who come to us with complex social and emotional needs. The lack of solid parenting in the home has contributed greatly to the problem.
660	Schools need more counselors and social workers. There also has to be options for children who are suffering from mental illness to get treatment and schooling. We also need laws in place that hold parents accountable for getting their children the proper mental health care or face negligence charges. We hold parents accountable for proper health care of their children, now it is time for mental health to be viewed the same way.
661	Schools need to be trained for Active Shooters--we have fire drills, tornado drills--when is the last time we had a fire at a school??? Active shooter--never had a drill.
662	Schools with numerous portable classrooms are extremely unsafe. In some schools this is half the rooms.
663	Security checks when entering the school daily, more cameras, more SRO officers in the school and patrolling officers around the school.
664	See if there are retired military in the community that would be willing to patrol the hallways and/or busy times (such as ballgames, events, etc.) as volunteers.
665	Self-locking doors, teachers having keys to lock/unlock fellow teachers' rooms, librarians not having to lock multiple doors, a way to keep students and faculty safe in the commons area before school and during lunch, more measures in place to ensure that students with mental illness receive appropriate help
666	Shatter resistant glass film, door jams
667	Should be buzzer systems for entry into schools.
668	Should be consistent in whatever they do.
669	Simple measures should be considered and taken prior to providing any fire arm in a school setting, such as remote keyless access prior to entering an hardware secure vestibule that is secured from access into school from jumping over a desk or into another door. Basically, one has to be remotely let in to a secured area and then upon providing information and identification, possibly coping the information, then can be remotely let in and escorted to appropriate location. The escort can remain with the visitor at all times until the visitor returns the secure vestibule and then exits. A component of gaining access could be to leave all metal objects and ID at the front office. SROs are of little use or value even if full time at a school and essentially of negligible worth at a school part time. A pass is of little value. The escort can wear a brightly colored jacket and have a walkie talkie or even a remote camera for monitoring in the front office. For other times, such as morning and evening pickup or drop off, the logistics can be orchestrated better. Even then, a parking attendant situation could be set up as the driver must show id to an attendant in a booth and release the arm when student is secured in the vehicle. The attendant can match the id to the id on file. Others behind the vehicle can be under another barrier at a safe distance away. Another area of a safe and secure school is the grounds and open playgrounds. A final aspect is the itinerant staff such as school psychologists, speech language pathologists, etc. All of these services can be provided remotely with an onsite facilitator. Systems are resistant to change. However, decreasing random entries is also a simple issue that can be addressed. This will all limit the access to the school to provide the foundation to a safe and secure school and classroom. Until this is address, other items, such as an SRO or a gun, is pointless and a thoughtless response.
670	Since we have students in portables, our back door is open to allow those kids entry to the building. Anyone can come in the back door and move around the building. The administration would never know someone was inside. We need cameras in the halls and entrances.
671	smaller teacher to student ratio
672	So many of our schools were built when no doors school buildings were popular. It is impossible to secure our building. We have faux walls and no doors. There is no action we could take in the event of a school shooter other than run.
673	Social media posts by students
674	Social Workers would immensely help students with mental health issues.
675	Soft Lockdown Procedures Active Shooter Response times All school have an armed SRO All schools must have a safety/secure foyer/entrance including a multi-systemed buzzer All schools

	should have bulletproof glass installed All windows should bulletproof tint All schools should have one armed administrator
676	Solid metal doors to the outside instead of glass.
677	Some educators, although legally permitted to carry a firearm, do not need to have it in their possession in the school setting.
678	Some rooms either don't have a working lock or locks from the outside. A few rooms do not have doors at all.
679	Special ed. Laws need to be changed so that a special ed. Student that is violent can be dealt with properly for the safety of them and other students and staff.
680	Special equipment that makes doors impossible to open
681	SRO
682	SRO are too expensive. More counselors would save many more lives.
683	SRO armed in each school in the county
684	SRO for every school in the state.
685	SRO in all schools
686	SRO in each classroom building and dining area where students are.
687	SRO in every school
688	SRO in every school and can't leave school until kids are dismissed at end of school day.
689	SRO in every school including Elementary Schools.
690	SRO in every school!
691	SRO in every school!
692	SRO in the building at all times. All visitors enter and exit through one door into a secured area.
693	SRO officer at all schools
694	SRO officer in every school in Tennessee. Schools should not share officers.
695	SRO officer in this building. allowing teachers to carry firearms as long as they are properly trained and have a cool head on their shoulder.
696	SRO officer required to be in every school. Federal or State funded. Teachers do not need to carry firearms in school.
697	SRO officers at all schools. None of the Elementary Schools have them. I know money is a reason why but that just means we put a price on student safety. I also feel the High Schools need more than 1 SRO
698	SRO officers in ALL schools, multiple armed officers. MORE guidance counselors, and a mental health psychologist on call at all times.
699	SRO or armed police on campus at all times.
700	SRO should patrol the buildings to ensure doors and other entrances are secured during the school day
701	SRO, raptor system
702	SRO's in every school
703	SROs at ALL schools. Mental Health personnel at each school. Additional funding for physical safety barriers (window film, interior door barricade locking mechanisms, exterior fencing. Improved fire evacuation protocol and equipment, no fire deaths in well over 50 years.
704	SRO's full-time at each school
705	SROs should be at every school and not at the expense of the school. Monies for security at the school level should go to the tens of thousands of dollars for the security cameras and other devices.
706	Staff need a master key so if we happen to be in a lounge that has a lock, but remains unlocked, we can lock it. Also, support staff needs a master key because they are displaced from their own room.
707	State and Federal education departments should send more money to districts to improve safety.
708	Stop disarming teachers. Allow carry permit holders to exercise their constitutional rights.
709	Stop forcing older students with chronic behavior problems to attend school.

710	Stop the media from making the shooters hero's.
711	Strict access control to entire campus.
712	Stricter gun regulations over all.
713	Stricter policies to deal with students who bully others and easier access to reporting for students who have fear of reprisals for reporting issues.
714	Student mental health. Making sure that at risk students are noted and giving the resources to help.
715	Student profiling just makes sense.
716	Students and parents with mental health issues should be forced to go to counseling.
717	Students do not feel safe because schools are allowing other students to be violent on a daily basis. They are very stressed out by this
718	Students that are excessively problematic are dealt with with firmer consequences. Students that have been identified as active gang members are moved to alternative / behavioral school.
719	Students that principals want removed should be removed!!!!
720	Students who are known risks, shown by past behaviors, should not be allowed to re-enroll in school time and time again.
721	students who exhibit bad behavior and have students with multiple suspensions and or expulsions should have to undergo mental evaluations and have their own school to attend.
722	students who have exhibited dangerous behaviors - made threats, etc., should have harsher punishment - as it is now, there are students committing infractions and returning to schools where teachers think they are not ready - even parents sometimes.
723	Students with mental illnesses to be served in the appropriate class setting. General education is not the best place for these students to receive the education they deserve.
724	study Environment around school campuses. Additional SROs for rural schools without police department.
725	Take a second look at all front entrances of all schools. Redesigning front entrances to schools to direct all people who enter to have to pass thru a secure door entrance or check-in spot. (metal detector or wand preferably). Also, providing escape ladders for windows of all classrooms that are not on the ground level in the event of an emergency exit need.
726	Take down the stupid No Gun Zone signs.
727	Take some of the stress off of students by reducing the number of state tests. Schools should have an SRO for every 500 students up to a maximum of three officers. In other words, a 2000 pupil school should have three full time armed security officials. Law enforcement should come into schools and discuss security issues with teaching staff and other faculty (this means some of the testing in-service and training would need to be reduced). No backpacks or book bags in classrooms. School has become way too stressful for young people!
728	Taking away our 2nd amendment rights is certainly not one! It's not the law-abiding citizens that are committing these crimes. The FBI and that Florida sheriff should be held more accountable for letting so many major flags go unheeded...make an example out of them (that is what we lack - negative reinforcement in schools...have to give them a pat on the back every time they do something right, and yet we have little recourse to punish - and that's not how the real world works). That is another thing to look in to...our mission/philosophy statement is "teaching real world learners"...well, us giving them a reward for behaving correctly is not "real world"...police officers don't pull you over and give you 50 dollars for being a great driver...they pull you over and give you a 200-dollar ticket for disobeying the law!
729	Taking care of all the crazies in the community
730	Teach at-risk students how to cope, teach peers how to be inclusive of at-risk students
731	Teach students "thou shalt not kill."
732	Teacher should be allowed to carry, it is the only thing that will truly keep our kids and schools safe!!
733	Teachers and staff should be thoroughly trained regarding what to do if an active shooter is in the building.
734	Teachers are hired to teach not police. Additional funds for trained SECURITY officers are needed.

735	Teachers are trained educators not trained to carry firearms, 40 hours will not qualify them to do such. How would officers know not to shoot my teachers that might be carrying a gun in a crisis. Teachers responsibilities are to the students not to be law enforcers.
736	Teachers need to be allowed to carry a firearm if they have a concealed carry permit. Also, metal detectors need to be in every school.
737	Teachers need to be backed by the Supervisors more.
738	Teachers need to carry so we are not a soft target anymore.
739	Teachers should carry pepper spray that shoots out at least 20 feet so an intruder could be sprayed if necessary.
740	Teachers should not carry firearms in a school building!
741	Teachers should not carry handguns. This does not help our school.
742	Teachers should not have lethal ammunition in their firearms inside of a classroom. However, there is a plethora of nonlethal ammunition that would be very beneficial for teachers in an active shooter situation. It would be safe and slow a shooter down until proper authorities could enter the building.
743	Teachers that are willing to take the training and responsibility to carry a weapon is the best solution as long as it is concealed and only the school administrators and law enforcement know which teachers are armed.
744	Telling the fire marshal to back off so that we can actually secure our classrooms.
745	The above responses reflect my thinking as to what might be reasonable now. "Increased security p & a" might include a small quick response team in some schools who might work with SROs. The weapons should not be carried but available on short notice from a convenient secure location with access only to a few highly trained school personnel.
746	The answer to guns is NOT more guns. I am NOT comfortable with teachers carrying guns inside the school Please remember that it was a teacher who shot the 2 principals a few years ago.
747	The bullet proof/bomb proof etc little buildings they put in classrooms.
748	The classrooms at XX HighSchool do not even have doors. This is a dangerous situation.
749	The conflict between fire safety regulations and active shooter safety need to be addressed. I am limited in how I can deny access due to fire regulations.
750	The court system should help us when we send a student to court. Strong punishments and hold parents accountable.
751	The drills should become actual simulators with discussions on improvement afterward.
752	The fastest non-political way to address school violence is for a "silence order" against media covering the shooter. No name, no picture, no backstory, no motive, no "he was bullied". Quit making this evil person famous. Think about streakers running onto a baseball field. They quit putting them on TV, and it almost never happens now.
753	The locker room doors cannot be locked from the inside. This means a teacher would have to lock it from the outside and be out in the open.
754	The new door locks.
755	The one issue I would like to see addressed is more funding for Mental Health Counselors to be in every school. I understand that Safe Schools provides great training for guidance counselors and other school staff, but I think that we need experts doing that work. To ask our current staff to take on that responsibility is asking too much from them in light of everything else they are responsible for on a daily basis.
756	The only entrance into a school should be through the main office. Not all schools have a secure entry. Many schools are wide open and an intruder can just walk through the front door and walk straight into a classroom. School boards and community members should be aware of the infrastructure of all of their schools.
757	The only one with a gun should be an SRO
758	The only way I agree with teachers carrying firearms: "police quality "training and certification.
759	The selection of educators that are trained and allowed to carry weapons at school should be handles very carefully. Not all teachers are capable of handling a weapon at school, especially in a high school setting.

760	The worst thing that could ever be done is arm teachers. There is no amount of training that would ever prepare a teacher to carry a firearm unless they are former law enforcement or military. What about the teacher who has their gun stolen off their hip by a deranged student. The main thing is to use common sense when developing safety policies. We should be proactive, not reactive.
761	There are security policies in place but they are not always followed.
762	There are so many doors on our school. It's easy to find one standing open. Half the kids know the combinations to doors with keypads. About anyone could get in our building because the kids know the combinations.
763	There is absolutely NO good that can come from arming educators. This would be a grave mistake, and I cannot stress enough how terrible of an idea it is to start having teachers carry firearms. It would bring far more evil than good.
764	There is no way to be brief regarding this issue. That is part of the problem. School districts are looking for a shortcut.
765	There should be a SRO in every school full-time.
766	There should be a very strict protocol and extensive, proper training before teachers were allowed to carry firearms. They should be thoroughly checked out!
767	Things to block classroom doors, so intruders can't get in should be supplied to each classroom.
768	This is a multilayer problem. We identify students who need help then there is not enough help for them or not enough family involvement to get them the help they need.
769	This is a social issue, not a gun or education issue. Leaders need to look at society and how these children are often ignored and unloved at home. It is not enough for a child to be clean, clothes, and fed. They need to be cherished and feel valued. Look at parental neglect laws and social service interventions to prevent the children from reaching this point. That's where you will be able to change situations in the home and prevent kids from reaching their breaking point. Emotional well-being of children is not just fostered in school. We have programs and work hard to foster those positive outlooks however that also comes from home. They spend time there too. Look into agencies that can affect home life and provide funding and personnel to those agencies so they can better monitor, protect, and support children in their homes.
770	This is a systemic problem. Parents need training on how to parent. The media needs to note something positive every now and then and quit sensationalizing. The entertainment industry needs to accept some responsibility.
771	This issue is going to cost money. Don't mandate SROs or security without a locating funds to schools or local law enforcement.
772	To carry and never use it is better than to not carry and regret it.
773	To have professional mental health counselors at the school during school hours for students in need of ongoing professional counseling.
774	Tougher background checks for people to purchase guns.
775	Train personal that choose to conceal a firearm be allowed to carry. Retired military or active National Guard would be a good place to start. Thanks
776	Train staff on how to deal with an active shooter, not just hide and hope not to be found. There needs to be an armed SRO at EVERY school. My elementary school shares an SRO with the high school, so if something happens we will have to wait for the SRO to drive to my school.
777	Train students of the judicial and moral consequences of unlawful aggression. Why single out firearms? Develop curriculum for enrollment orientation for students and parents.
778	Training for parents and the community.
779	Training for staff to carry and use weapons.
780	Training for teachers and staff on how to handle the situation. Most teachers are not knowledgeable enough about this.
781	Two or 3 SRO's (instead of one) roaming the school. (Our enrollment - over 1400 - and building is big.)
782	Understand that no matter how careful you are, things can still go wrong. Any assistance would be appreciated.
783	Unsure.

784	Until the mental laws are changed for gun purchase there will be little that can be done. Also, until all law enforcement takes every action possible to keep urban students from acquiring guns then it is a moot point. Illegal access to everything known to man is a major issue no one is talking about.
785	Updated doors and facilities.
786	Upping the age limit on gun purchases. More restrictions and harder process to obtain a gun
787	Vestibules and push bars on all doors other than main entrance.
788	Vetted, trained, armed faculty with a sign at the school entrance stating such.
789	Video cameras installed to monitor the doors of the school; a system that requires staff to electronically unlock the door for a visitor to enter; signs indicating personnel are armed; funding for all of the above.
790	Wall or gate that would limit access to anyone entering the building.
791	Ways to secure rooms, non-firearm defenses, ways our kids should hide/react in an active shooter situation
792	We all need bullet-proof glass in windows and doors. We also need some device to allow classroom doors to be secured from the inside when the door can only be locked from the outside. Parents or anyone can walk into our wide open front door from 7am - 8am. The door is not even watched until after 7:30 when front desk person arrives.
793	We already do plenty!! There is NO WAY to ensure the security of all at all times!!
794	We are overwhelmed as school counselors. If we had a major event there is no way we could provide extra services. We can't even provide the services we need to provide now. Increase mental health services and get the kids who cause problems out of the building and keep them out. Stop letting them use their IEP and 504 as an excuse. If they can't maintain a safe behavior they need to go. When did their lives become more valuable than everyone else's?
795	We are required to do fire safety drills monthly although no one has died in a fire in more than 50 years. We are only required to do intruder drills 2 times per year. I think that needs to increase. Maybe fire drills 4 times a year and intruder 4 times per year.
796	We are teachers-not soldiers or guards.
797	We currently share an SRO with our MS/ I would feel much safer with a full-time SRO. I also think there appear to be a number of individuals in our community who are already licensed and trained with a firearm. I think a massive effort to recruit a volunteer force who pass appropriate background checks/ psych evals and undergo training could be used to provide additional armed security- with a holster designed for safety and identifiable uniform. They could also be used to provide additional supervision at bus hall/ lunch/ recess/ class changes etc when bullying tends to occur. I think whatever needs to spent to ensure basic safety features in every school need to occur- appropriate number of cameras, lock and buzzer system into a contained area for check-in, bullet-proof glass, appropriate fire-coded coverage for interior and exterior windows and doors, classroom doors that can be locked quickly, efficiently, and security from the inside and perhaps another simple to operate device to further barricade the door, and instant means of communication (with more than just the office) for every classroom. I think these efforts might help prevent additional violence in the short-term. In the long-term, there must be a greater focus on mental health/ social-emotional stability, early and professional intervention with anti-social behavior focused on BOTH the individual and family counseling. Consequences for anti/social or delinquent behavior including MANDATORY individual and family counseling/therapy. These efforts require strong coordination between school, mental health service providers, physicians, legal system, department of children's services, and various other community entities. We need to build healthier brains, healthier individuals, healthier schools, healthier families, healthier communities... it requires a MASSIVE effort. The only long-term effort that will work is efforts to prevent individuals who desire to shoot up a school. All other efforts at security, gun control, etc are short-term to implement in the meantime. I do think there could be increased efforts to screen gun purchasers, but I believe in 2nd Amendment and this would not be a full solution.
798	We do fire drills every month. It's been five decades since an American student died in a school fire. However, it's been literally DAYS since one died in a school shooting and we have drilled for that exactly once in my career, if memory serves.

799	We do need more guidance counselors to address the mental issues and stresses our students deal with daily.
800	-We do not have a full time SRO officer -Doors have windows -I would feel comfortable having a hidden lock box in my classroom to hide a gun, which I am licensed to carry, should I ever be in the position to need it -We have one male teacher -Military personnel would be nice to have on campus
801	We do not have a SRO. Only the high schools in my district have SROs.
802	We do not have an SRO. That is one area that needs to be addressed. There were a few questions here that looked as if it was assumed all schools have them. If most do then we are of the few who do not. That would greatly enhance student behavior as well as safety. We also need to address zero tolerance policies of districts for acts of violence, drugs, bullying, etc. There also needs to be more transparency. When student transfers schools, any teacher involved with that student needs to be made aware of any issues that student had previously. Teachers are professionals who know how to handle confidential information. BUT if that information is something teachers need to be aware of for the safety of everyone involved, it needs to be shared. If there are those who are spreading confidential info then deal with those unprofessional behaving ones. Security teams would be a good idea made up of teachers, staff, admin, local law enforcement, SRO, and local volunteers.
803	We do not have cameras outside our school. I teach in a portable, so if anyone were to come in my classroom and cause harm, no one would know about it unless someone happened to hear gunshots. Also, regarding teachers carrying firearms, I do believe some people would be competent enough to handle the responsibility, but I am honestly afraid for some of my coworkers to have access to a gun at school, so I don't think that everyone should be able to carry one.
804	We don't have SRO's. I believe this would be a good step for us. Secondly, we must give teachers means of protection including barricade mechanisms to prevent intruders from coming in rooms. Fire Marshall needs to realize that the rarity of school fires is reason enough to allow this mechanism to exist. Common sense must take center stage in discussing these matters.
805	We have 1 SRO for a school spread out over 5 acres with approximately 1,500 students. We have open classroom layout over 80% of the building...apparently cannot add doors to those rooms because of fire codes.
806	We have a part time SRO. We need a full time SRO. We are a rural county and money to fund SRO's is an issue.
807	We have an "open concept" floor plan with no doors to our classroom. But there is not enough money in the budget to add doors. We also have such a large school that we need more than one SRO officer - again budget constraints.
808	We have an open breezeway between buildings which is unprotected. We have been told that there are no funds available to enclose this space and resolve this serious safety problem.
809	We have cameras monitoring busy ball ways
810	We have glass outside doors in our classrooms. I do not feel that these doors help with keeping our school safe.
811	We have many exits to this school. Students allow other students in the building through those exits. Hall monitors are here but can't be everywhere. So . . . there are still safety issues.
812	We have not been allowed to use certain safety devices to secure classroom doors from the inside because the fire marshal won't allow. Can we all get on the same page and allow SAFETY devices???
813	We have policies but some are not followed or adhered to.
814	We have too many entrance/exit doors at our school. Students still have not learned to go around to proper entrance doors, or they will let someone in on their own if they look like a student. I would like to see electronic access doors that require a teacher with a pass code or scan card to open.
815	We looked into getting the barracuda locks for our doors; however, the fire Marshall said that we could not have them. I think that is ridiculous. In this day and age, we are more likely to encounter an active shooter than a fire.
816	We need a full time SOR officer he's never at our school due to serving at another one. Principal said he's just 2 to 3 min away that's 2 to 3 min.too late in a crisis.

817	We need all of the items above required by the state and put in place.
818	We need an SRO every day. We share with another school.
819	We need at least 2 additional SROs for the size and design of our school. We need a secure front door buzz in system during the school day. A One way in., one way out of the parking lot during school day with a guard building.
820	We need better Windows. Our school has 1959 Windows. I think if teachers who have right to carry want to have a gun at school, they should be allowed to. All schools should have the magnets over the locks to make it quick and easy to lockdown. Perhaps the list that slide under doors for each classroom or the tornado/earthquake/lockdown pods for classrooms. Provide full time guidance counselors, make it easier and quicker to get troubled kids the help they need. It takes way too long (one case 6 weeks).
821	We need classroom doors. We need a secure entrance to the school.
822	We need for the president to CHANGE the fire arms ownership law by better mental health screening and revisiting the mental health for all the folks that have registered arms now.
823	We need full time guidance counselors in every school. This is a must! Right now, my school has a part-time counselor who has no time to teach her lessons and counsel those who need it. We have more and more students who are struggling with their home life. This is a must
824	We need more funding for more guidance counselors to help with the social and emotional needs of students -- not just counselors focusing on academic and college and career goals.
825	We need more people trained to handle students with mental problems. I teach in a school where there is a BSP program. Those students are mainstreamed as much as possible, however, the students in that program are often very volatile. It is, at times, very scary to the teachers and other students when profanities are yelled, doors are slammed at the point where it sounds like a bomb went off (literally-not exaggerating), screaming, and threatening behavior occurs. Every child deserves an education, but every child should also feel safe, even with a behavior program on site. I'm not sure mainstreaming behavior students is the answer unless there is more mental help available.
826	We need psychologists and social workers full time at every high school
827	We need to look at increasing the number of SROs per school enrollment.
828	We need to practice more on active shooter in the building and lockdown drill, and do a lot less fire drills. When was the last time you saw a school building burn to the grown?
829	We only have access to an SRO a couple times a week for 2 hours
830	We should have an assigned SRO for each school. We "split" our SRO among 4 other schools in the district. This is not effective and should be increased.
831	We should have cell phone and internet service at our school...our phones should work wherever we are
832	We would like to buy the things that you can put on your classroom door in case of an intruder, but the fire marshal keeps telling us we aren't allowed. I don't think the fire marshal should have a say in that.
833	Well trained armed teachers. Voluntary of course
834	Well-trained school personnel should be armed and anonymous.
835	What about guard dogs that patrol with the SRO Officer? An extra guidance counselor to help meet our growing student needs - maybe 2 more in addition to our 1 person (who is NOT enough) Our students need social and emotional counseling outlets and adults who will listen and care. This does not happen in all homes anymore- so at school - we needed a place for kids to express emotions and talk it out and receive positive/good advice of ways to handle situations that occur in their lives. Require administrators to train the staff- we do not practice and I personally feel we are not prepared. I think policy makers should come to visit the schools watch what is involved in a day- not just a walk about and leave - but stay the whole day or multiple days to get a feel for how and where students transition and movement throughout the day. I work at a Pre K - 4th grade school
836	What happens if an arms teacher shoots someone who isn't the shooter? Insurance?
837	What's wrong with Tasers?

838	While arming teachers is a solution, I do not support that as a "stop-gap" measure. Dedicated SRO's are a much-preferred solution in conjunction with additional defensive measures such as door lock(s), active shooter drills and protocols. We must be willing to give up some freedoms to ensure safety.
839	While focusing first on prevention and mental health support is critical, there should also be more alternative placements or residential placements for those who do not respond for whatever reason and continue to endanger/threaten others. Currently no matter how tough some systems talk, these students typically return, repeat the behavior, and continue to cycle. This is partly due to insurance refusing to pay, but much more so due to so few placements being available, that placement is hard to find. This is not about those who mess up once, respond to treatment and/or additional supports, but rather the chronic offenders.
840	While I do think some of the school staff personnel should be able to carry guns, it should be limited to the administrators. It would be dangerous for children to be able to get ahold of them.
841	While we do have an armed SRO that patrols our school at different times throughout the day, he is not at our school all day. He is shared between several schools within our district. When we have had to call 911 in the past, it has taken up to 20 minutes for emergency personnel to arrive at our school because our school is not centrally located to any of the emergency responder locations within our county. A lot of damage can be done in 20 minutes, without an armed SRO present. We would feel much safer with a full-time SRO in our building.
842	Work on the culture of the school and emphasize the importance of personal responsibility.
843	Would like to see more research/action taken to monitor students taking certain prescription medications (specifically SSRIs). They've been linked to the majority of the issues we've seen in the news and it seems like it's being overlooked as a major contributing factor.
844	Yearly professional developments should be offered by each school or district to refresh veteran teachers on procedures, how to handle unsafe situations, and things to watch for. This would be especially useful for new teachers, so everyone is on the same page.
845	You could pay us more instead asking us to carry guns. I currently do not have enough pencils, paper or ink to make it through the end of the year, I DO NOT want to carry a gun, but I would more supplies!!!
846	Zero tolerance bullying policies
847	Zero-tolerance on discipline problems. SED kids housed elsewhere. No early release from alternative school. All teachers should be made aware of students who are on "radar" for problems.