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FIGHTING SCHOOL VIOLENCE: **Hardening the Target - Softening the Environment**

JULY 31 - AUG. 1, 2023 - WESTCHESTER MARRIOTT



When and Where

July 31-Aug. 1 This no-cost symposium will be held in person at the Westchester Marriott in White Plains. It also will be available online.

Program Description

Building on its groundbreaking white paper, *Safer Schools: Preparing for and Dealing with Armed Intruders*, NYSIR presents **Fighting School Violence: Hardening the Target - Softening the Environment**. Hear experts discuss the latest threat assessment research; understand warning signs often telegraphed by those who may cause violence; learn how to implement a behavioral threat assessment program; and take advantage of leadership lessons and strategies to build resiliency from an administrator who experienced school violence firsthand. The objective: A caring, resilient, resolute and prepared school community.

Topics

- U.S. Secret Service Threat Assessment Research and Model
- Understanding Warning Signs of Potential Violence
- Developing a Behavioral Threat Assessment Team
- Leadership Lessons from Crisis
- NYSIR's Violence Prevention Program

There is **NO COST** for attending this special NYSIR symposium. Attendees staying at the Westchester Marriott or other local venues are responsible for their hotel room costs.

Registration

To register, email Krystel Allen at kallen@nysir.org with the names of attendees and your school district or entity name. Please indicate the following: whether you will be attending in person or online, and whether you will be attending a reception on Monday evening, July 31. Registration deadline is July 21.

Hotel Registration

The Westchester Marriott group rate for the symposium is \$189 per night, plus applicable taxes. To reserve your hotel room click here:

[Book your group rate for NYSIR Symposium](#)

If you prefer, you may call 1-800-882-1042 and reference the NYSIR Symposium to make a reservation. The cut-off date to reserve rooms is July 10.

Professional Certificate Holders

Professional Certificate Holders will receive 6.5 hours of CTLE credit. CTLE credit forms will be available at nysir.org and at the symposium.

Symposium Program

July 31

5:30-6:45 p.m. Reception, registration and book-signing. Meet symposium presenters and colleagues while enjoying refreshments. Dr. Peter Langman will have copies of his books available for signing.

Aug. 1

7:00-7:45 a.m. Continental breakfast and late registration

7:45-7:55 a.m. Welcome and introductions

7:55-9:30 a.m. Michael Kapuscinski
Domestic Security Strategist Region 1, U.S. Secret Service
USSS Threat Assessment Model Research and Discussion

9:30-9:45 a.m. Break

9:45-11:45 a.m. Dr. Peter Langman, Ph.D.
Psychologist, Langman Psychological Associates, LLC
Warning Signs: Identifying School Shooters Before They Strike

11:45-12:45 p.m. Luncheon

12:45-1:30 p.m. David L'Hommedieu and John Thuener
Director of Technology and Director of Facilities
Saratoga Springs City School District
Behavioral Threat Assessment - How to Create Effective Teams

1:30-3:00 p.m. Randy Russell
Superintendent of Schools
Freeman School District, Rockford, Washington
From Difficulty to Determination: Resiliency and Leadership Lessons

3:00-3:15 p.m. Brett Carruthers
NYSIR Risk Management
NYSIR's School Violence Prevention Program

3:15-3:30 p.m. Questions and answers - Symposium wrap-up