

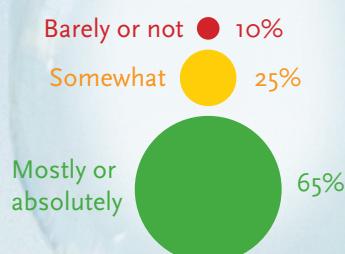


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How Educators Feel About School Safety

We asked K–12 educators nationwide to share their views on school violence—and how to combat it. Here's what they had to say...

How prepared to respond to a school crisis do you feel?



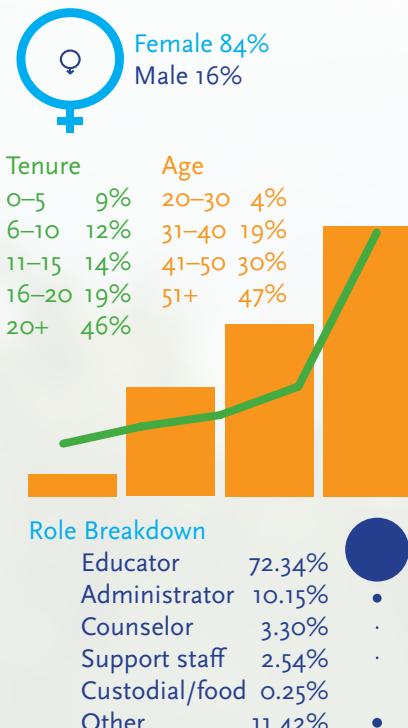
Over the course of your career, have you noticed a change in your students' mental health?



"It's changed the way I teach. We have to address emotional needs before academic teaching. They can't learn if they don't feel safe or are worried about something at home."

—Gwen Smith

Survey respondents:

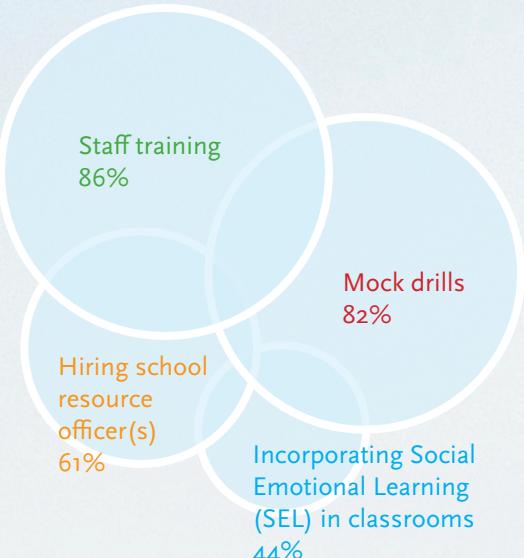


"School violence is...harm that affects students, teachers, all staff, and puts their lives in danger, makes them feel scared, or disrupts the culture of the school. Weapons, aggressive behavior, hurting others, and hurting themselves." —Lisa Pizarro



92% of educators feel safe going to school on a regular basis.
9% of educators are considering leaving their jobs because of school safety concerns.

The top four ways schools and districts are combating school violence:



Results are based on multiple selection from seven choices.

What do you feel is missing from the school safety discussion?

technology
mental health
cultural barriers
family relationships
community involvement
open communication
"taking it seriously"

Training • Drills • Communication
Social Emotional Learning • School Resource Officers
Listening • Proactive Efforts
Role Breakdown

What could districts do
more of to help you feel safer at work?

"We often rush to 'protect' (via arms, guardian plans, etc.) without ever having proactive conversations about what we can do on the 'front end' to promote mental health and safety." —Jamie Spikerman

Have you spent personal funds on supplies to make your classroom safer?



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