

– ACTIVE SHOOTER PROTOCOL –
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“Run, Hide, Fight”
ICO Security x7633 / Chicago Police 911

BE PREPARED:

- ALWAYS KNOW YOUR NEAREST EXIT AND HAVE YOUR ESCAPE ROUTE PLANNED

LISTEN:

- FOR COMMUNICATIONS FROM SECURITY OVER PHONE LOUDSPEAKERS, TEXTS OR FROM OTHER EMPLOYEES AND STUDENTS
- BE ALERT!

IF YOU CAN RUN OR ESCAPE, DO SO IMMEDIATELY:

- LEAVE ALL PERSONAL BELONGINGS BEHIND
- ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE EVEN IF OTHERS CHOOSE NOT TO FOLLOW
- HELP OTHERS ESCAPE IF POSSIBLE, BUT DO NOT ATTEMPT TO MOVE WOUNDED
- KEEP HANDS UP AND EMPTY, FINGERS SPREAD AS YOU EXIT THE BUILDING
- Do **NOT** RUN TOWARDS THE SOUND OF GUNFIRE OR TO AN AREA WHERE THE SHOOTER IS
- Do **NOT** TAKE TIME TO CALL 911 UNTIL YOU HAVE REACHED SAFETY

IF YOU CANNOT RUN OR ESCAPE, YOU SHOULD HIDE:

- STAY OUT OF SHOOTER’S VIEW
- TAKE COVER – HIDE BEHIND SOMETHING SOLID IF POSSIBLE
- LOCK AND BARRICADE DOORS, TURN OFF LIGHTS, STAY AWAY FROM WINDOWS
- SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES, INCLUDING VIBRATE FEATURE
- IDENTIFY ANY OBJECTS YOU CAN USE AS A WEAPON
- STAY SILENT AND IN PLACE UNTIL ALL CLEAR IS GIVEN

IF YOU CANNOT RUN OR HIDE, YOU SHOULD FIGHT:

- ACT AS AGGRESSIVELY AS YOU CAN
- THROW ITEMS, USE IMPROVISED WEAPONS (FIRE EXTINGUISHERS, CHAIRS, ETC...)
- YELL, SCREAM, MAKE LOUD NOISES
- WORK TOGETHER TO INCAPACITATE THE SHOOTER
- FULLY COMMIT TO YOUR ACTIONS