

Email Communication to GPD's

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January 22: [Call for Presenters:] National School Defence & Security 2010-Conclave & Exhibit, 25-26 March 2010, Toronto, Canada  
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NSDS 2010  
Conclave & Exhibit  
Beefed Up School Safety & Security  
Toronto, Canada

Dear Colleague:

In response to the nationwide alarm over youth violence in our schools, the Student Safety and Defence Community invites you to Speak the First National School Defence & Security Conference & Exhibit on March 25-26, 2010, in Toronto, Canada. (<http://eve-ex.com/nsds-canada>)

Our purpose is to create an ad hoc multi-sector crisis management consortium during the event, to be studied as a model by communities around the country. It is the first national event to invite leaders representing every sector of society, early childhood care providers, elementary, k-12 schools, high school and colleges & university administrators, campus security officers, mental health professionals, emergency management experts, first responders and law enforcers, as well other experts to model a community process to help stamp out all forms of school violence, including shootings, bullying, dating violence, vandalism, gang activity, technological intrusions, and catastrophic events such as pandemic outbreaks.

Compelling case studies will be presented over the 2 days of the conference, offering new important findings on headline-grabbing incidents of school violence, their cost to society, and how they have impacted local prevention, preparedness, response and recovery processes.

Topics to be covered in this timely 2-day event include: (Please find attached file)

- International & National Perspectives on School Defence & Security
- School Violence as a Virus
- The Epidemic of Bullying, Harassment, & Intimidation
- Alcohol & Gang Activities
- School Shootings & Bomb Threats
- Table Top Exercise: Blueprint of School Emergency School-Based drills
- Detecting & Preventing Avengers within the School Community
- Youth Panel Discussion: Own Perspectives on School Defence & Security
- Preparing Canada Schools: Possible Co-Occurrence of H1N1+H5N1 Flu
- Calling Emergency Management Experts
- The Aftermath of School Crisis

Role-playing topics include:

Response: activating the emergency response infrastructure, warning signals, student complaints, first response, protecting targets and hostages, types of violence, survival techniques, news by cell phone, regaining control, chain of command, emergency response routes, evacuation procedures, school closings, notifying parents, anticipating escalation, law enforcement information sharing, medical procedures, dealing with the media, reaction on the Internet.

Recovery: overcoming the fear of returning to class, debriefings, victim needs, survivor needs, families of offenders, call-in lines, grief counseling, removing names, health services and resources, statements to students and parents, academic support, investigation procedures, funerals and anniversaries, signals for closure, how to orient new students and their families.

Prevention: School Crime Watch, drug-free zones, gun-free zones, zero-tolerance messages, gang apparel and student dress codes, mentoring, parent cooperation, law enforcement resources and presentations, information kits and advisories, engaging the business sector, restrictions in hallways and high-risk areas.

Preparedness: What you can do right now, assessing threat and potential victims, designating crisis planning and crisis management teams, exercising the student safety plan, reviewing civil and criminal options, patrols and security systems, video monitoring crime maps, creating a school safety who's who, photo ID database, including private, sector resources, dealing with outside threats, media relations, legislative actions, town hall meetings, releasing information, crisis kits, preparing the lines of communication, sharing best practices, taking preemptive action.

We encourage you to share your specific issues and concerns on this prestigious event. Take advantage to meet the experts from across the country who had dealt with incident of student violence through an open-discussion on a collaborative environment of our conference workshops. The activities are result-oriented and give you a hands-on experience as they will share with you real-life scenarios of various student safety issues that they have previously dealt with.

Kindly include the top 3 topics you are most comfortable to discuss with in hierarchy format so we can make arrangement for your talk. Please find attached file for speaker's review. We are responsible for your roundtrip travel arrangements and hotel accommodation in Toronto and will be ensuring that you have a day of rest on the 24th of March 2010.

Please do not hesitate to give me a call or send me an email if you need anything or have a query. My contact details are below for your perusal.

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We hope to see you in the conference with your colleagues!

Thank you.

Sincerely Yours,

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