



# Schuylkill County Safe Schools Coalition

**Concept of Operations (CONOPS)**

*Version 2.0*

*Adopted by the Safe Schools Coalition*



## BACKGROUND

*“In order to create effective solutions to problems that disrupt the educational process and affect school safety”*

*Schuylkill County Board of Commissioners  
December 13, 2006*

- Successful recipient of the 2009 Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools (REMS) Grant
  - *Proposal for Project Evaluator*
  - *Proposal for Safe Schools Consultant*
  - *Proposal for Crisis Plan Reviews*



# MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Schuylkill County Safe Schools Coalition and its associated committees is to provide **strategic direction** and **leadership** to ensure **alignment** and **coordination** of student, staff, and visitor safety, security and emergency management efforts. The Schuylkill County SSC provides leadership to member school districts through **partnership** with community and commercial responders and planners. The Schuylkill County SSC identifies and promotes **strategies, programs** and **best practices** that support safe schools throughout the County.



# VISION STATEMENT

- The Vision of the Schuylkill County Safe Schools Coalition is to be the central repository for ideas, programs, and resources necessary to carry out the mission of the organization.

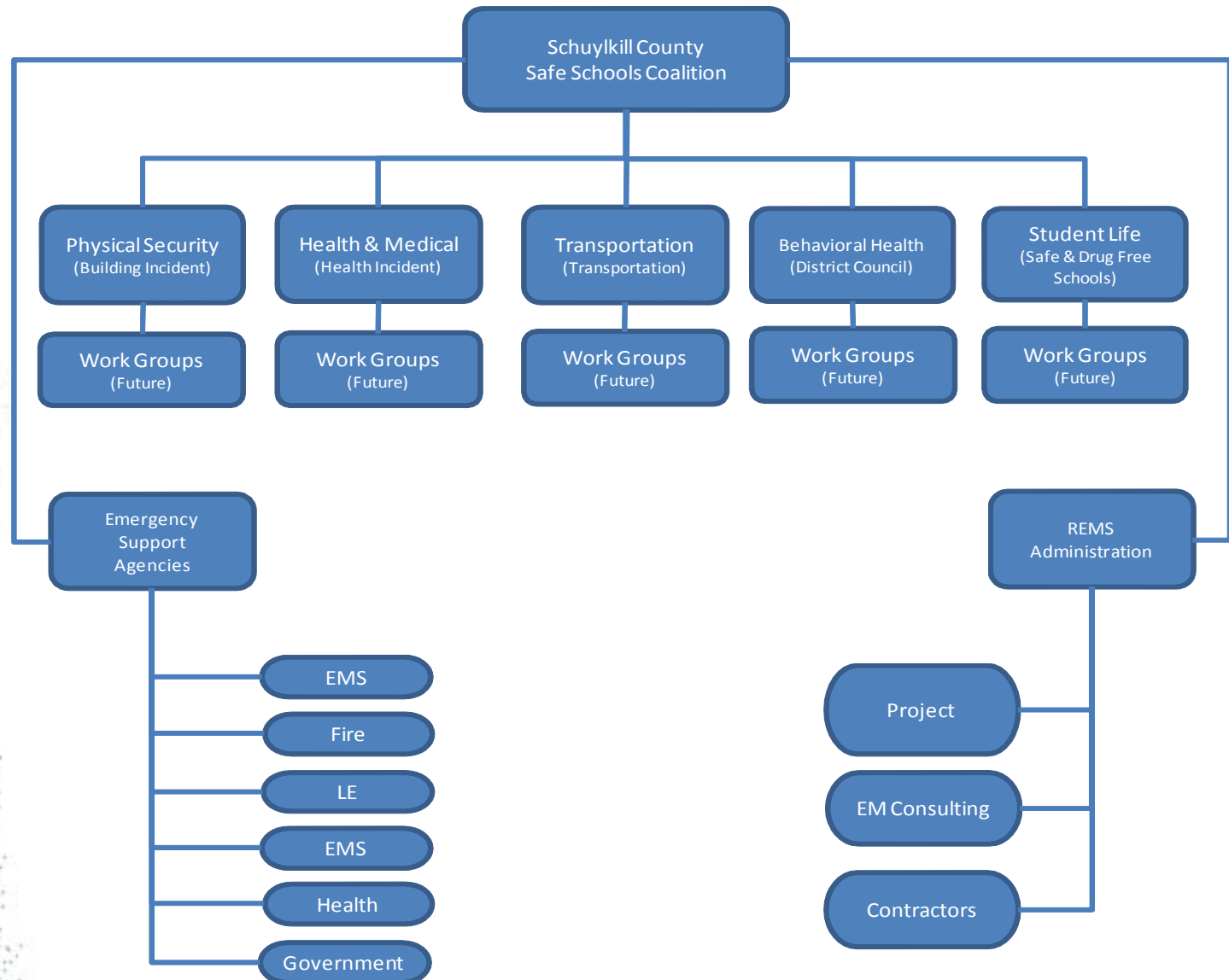
By providing member schools and stakeholders with information and opportunities designed to increase the safety and protection of all school students, faculty, staff, and visitors, we hope to achieve this vision.

# MEMBERSHIP





# ORGANIZATION





# COMMITTEES: Physical Security

- Formally known as the *Building Incident Team*
- Purpose
  - *To represent school security and law enforcement concerns*
- Membership
  - *School - Maintenance, physical plant, security*
  - *Responder – Police, Emergency Management*
- Activities
  - *Hazard & Vulnerability Assessments*
  - *Environmental Design*
  - *Surveillance*



# COMMITTEES: Health & Medical

- Formally known as the *Health Incident Team*
- Purpose
  - *To represent school health and emergency medical concerns*
- Membership
  - *School – Nurse, Food Service*
  - *Responder – Health, Hospitals, Agriculture*
- Activities
  - *Food Defense Planning*
  - *Pandemic Influenza*
  - *Infectious Disease and Countermeasures*





# COMMITTEES: Transportation

- Formally known as the *Transportation Team*
- Purpose
  - *To represent school student, staff and visitor transportation concerns*
- Membership
  - *School – Transportation Coordinator, Activities Director*
  - *Responder – Transit Companies, Traffic Control*
- Activities
  - *Transit Accident SOP*
  - *Evacuation and Student Movement*



# COMMITTEES: Behavioral Health

- Formally known as the *District Council*
- Purpose
  - *To represent emotional and therapeutic support needs of student and staff*
- Membership
  - *School – Guidance Counselors, SAP Members*
  - *Responder – Mental Health, Grief and Trauma Providers, DCORT*
- Activities
  - *Behavioral Health SOP for emergencies*
  - *Student needs assessment*
  - *Development of Mental Health Teams*



# COMMITTEES: Student Life

- Formally known as the *Safe & Drug Free Schools*
- Purpose
  - *To represent daily student interactions relative to minimizing the need for emergency management services*
- Membership
  - *School – Guidance Counselors, Disciplinary Director*
  - *Responder – Drug & Alcohol Counseling, Law Enforcement*
- Activities
  - *School Climate Surveys*
  - *Peer Assistance Programs*
  - *Drug Prevention Programs*



# ADMINISTRATIVE

- Meetings
  - *Coalition Leadership* (Committee Chairs, Executive Leadership)
    - 2 x per Year
  - *Full Coalition* (All Committees, Community Partners, Consultants)
    - 2 x per Year
  - *Committees*
    - 4 x per Year
- Goals & Objectives
  - *Each Committee and the Coalition will produce and maintain annual goals and objectives*