

Weapons Concealment and Detection

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- No weapons screening program is 100% effective
- Most weapons that are carried to school in the United States are not detected
- Attendees should carefully research school search and seizure guidelines with guidance from legal counsel specializing in school search and seizure.
- Three of our nation's most horrific school shooting incidents involved weapons that could have been recovered pursuant to a legal search prior to the incident but no attempt was made to search.
- The presence of the indicators described do not always indicate the presence of a weapon and do not always automatically provide the legal basis for a search.
- Develop specific local protocols to fit your unique situation:

Involve:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Look at the overall context of the situation

Look for clusters of indicators that may be present

- According to research by the International Association of Chief's of Police, most pedestrian violators conceal a gun:
 1. In the _____
 2. Under a _____
 3. In the pants or jacket _____
 4. On the strong side of _____

- Security check:

- Jacket sag:

- Visible weapon:
Knife clips and _____

- Outlines/bulges:

- Unnatural gait:

- Limping or hunchback stride:

Gun/knife in shoe, boot, long gun down the pant leg or: _____

- Rainy day rule:

- Palming:

- Inappropriate/odd clothing:

- It may be most tactically sound to approach the potential gun violator from the **right rear side** – **but the availability of cover is an overriding factor**

- Response to an authority figure:
Blading the body _____
Trying to back away _____
Running _____
A suspect or accomplice becoming belligerent _____
Or: _____

Remember:

The gun you miss may be the last one you ever see!

The gun you miss may be used for the next horrific shooting incident!

The gun you don't spot could be the one under a terrorist's coat!

Others have averted much bloodshed after taking this course – but like any other training, it is only as good as your application of the knowledge

You can make a difference

Press on!

Thank you for what you do!

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