



## PPCC Emergency Management for Higher Education (EMHE)



### Coffee Break Training #3

#### Topic: Surviving the Active Shooter

An active shooter is defined by the El Paso County Sheriffs Office as: “An armed person who has used deadly physical force on other persons and continues to do so while having unrestricted access to additional victims”

## What do we know?

- Active shooter situations are unpredictable and dynamic; they change and evolve quickly.
- Active shooter situations may be over within 10 or 15 minutes or last several hours.
- Individuals , who survive, are prepared mentally and physically to deal with an active shooter situation.

## What can you do to survive?

- Practice good situational awareness
  - Be aware of your environment
  - Be aware of potential dangers/threats
  - Be self-aware (*know what you are capable of*)
- Take note of exits and plan escape routes at all times.
- Control your “Personal Space” and your position in the space around you.
- Have a plan for “WHAT IF . . .”



# PPCC Emergency Response Guide

PPCC Emergency Response Guide, posted in each class room and office area, provides the following guidelines for an active shooter situation:

**Contact Campus Police IMMEDIATELY at ext. 2911 or 502-2911.**

**Campus Police will broadcast the alarm & give instructions.**

- **Stay in your building;** seek cover; lock doors; barricade if possible.
- **Turn off lights**, computer monitors, radios, and close blinds.
- **Keep occupants calm**, quiet and out of sight, and silence all cell phones.
- **Ignore** any fire alarms.
- The first responding officer **WILL NOT STOP** to aid wounded or injured. They will continue on to contain the threat.
- **Keep your hands empty and in plain view at all times for officers.** Follow directions exactly and carry nothing that could be mistaken for a weapon.
- The Rescue Teams **will arrive after** the first responding officers and move everyone to a safety area.

DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO DISTANCE YOURSELF FROM THE DANGER AND GET AWAY!

Your survival options to consider are:

Escape

Hide/Shelter in Place

Attack the shooter



*Remember: PPCC has a Student Crisis Counseling Office, PPCC employs licensed counselors who will meet with you, listen and help figure out options to address your individual problems and challenges. The Student Crisis Counseling Office, does not provide traditional, ongoing counseling or therapy, but will work with you to find the support and assistance you need. Call (719) 502-4782 to set up an appointment and speak with a counselor.*

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# Lunch and Learn

- A Lunch and learn is a 45-60 minute presentation hosted by the PPCC-EMHE to cover selected topics.
- Lunch and learns are open to anyone who wants to attend.
- Bring a lunch and enjoy a presentation while you eat with friends, fellow students, or co-workers.
- PPCC-EMHE will be hosting four, “Surviving the Active Shooter”, lunch and learn presentations in December 2011 and January 2012.
- For your convenience the schedule is listed below:
  - December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011 (11:30 AM-12:30PM)
    - Centennial Campus Room # A-255
  - January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011 (11:30 AM-12:30PM)
    - Rampart Range Campus Room # W-117
  - January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011 (11:30 AM-12:30PM)
    - Downtown Studio Campus Room # (To be determined)
  - January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011 (11:30 AM-12:30PM)
    - Falcon Campus Room # FN-113