

## Wichita County Jr Sr High School

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Dear USD 467 Parents,

Signature of Parent/Guardian

March 26, 2018

In recent years, communities across the United States have seen a dramatic increase in violence involving armed intruders in public areas such as malls, theaters and schools. Through expert analysis of these events it has become possible for institutions such as USD 467 to take actions that create safer campuses and increase the likelihood of a positive outcome should tragedy strike. Surveillance cameras are in place and we have limited entry access to protect students and staff from the unlikely—but possible event of an armed intruder or similar emergency. With these procedures in place the next step is to train students how to respond to a situation. This training will take place on **Monday, April 2, 2018**.

In order to best equip students and staff to successfully respond to such a crisis, USD 467 adopted the response model identified by the acronym A.L.I.C.E. (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate). This model provides the flexibility necessary to increase the chance of survival during emergency events. Still embracing the long-used practice of "lockdown", the model also provides options for evacuation and counter action and focuses heavily on communication and the sharing of accurate information.

The Scott City Police Department has trained all district employees in A.L.I.C.E. response options. The Department also assists in educating students much in the manner used in training for fire and tornado drills. By preparing for organized, thoughtful responses to potential crisis situations, the chances of survival are increased. Students receive age-appropriate information about what might occur in a crisis and how to appropriately respond.

Information regarding A.L.I.C.E. has been shared at Site Council meetings, Board of Education meetings and on the district website. Building administrators can provide additional information. If you do not want your child to participate in the A.L.I.C.E. training provided by USD 467, opt-out forms are available upon request.

Opt-out form on the bottom of the page must be returned to Wichita County Jr/Sr High by April 2, 2018, prior to the training.

USD 467 and the Wichita County Sheriff's Department and the Scott City Police Department share in the quest to provide a safe and secure school for every child, every day. Sincerely,

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