

HB 228 -- School Safety

Sponsor: Thomson

This bill adds all teachers at an attendance center to the list of school employees who must be informed of acts of school violence. A notice that a student has been found to have committed an act of school violence will be required to be placed on the student's academic transcript. By July 1, 2009, school improvement program standards must include an annual drill and require that staff receive sufficient training in crisis management so that plan details remain familiar throughout the year.

The grant award criteria for Safe Schools grants are revised to give preference to districts that file joint applications, hold regular meetings of education and social service and law enforcement personnel, or use safe school techniques developed by the Missouri Center for Safe Schools. A portion of grant awards must be reserved for preventive plans.

The Missouri Children's Services Commission must develop recommendations for best practices by July 1, 2008, in sharing relevant state agency information on students receiving state services while protecting the privacy of the students and families involved.