The Kentucky Association of School Resource Officers (KYASRO) is pleased to announce the recipients of several awards to be presented during the Safe Schools and Communities Conference. The conference will be in Louisville at the Marriott East on June 10-12. The awards and recipients are:

**SRO of the Year**: Officer Vernon Brown – Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office/Western High School

**Administrator(s) of the Year** – Steve Butcher, Supt.-Pulaski County Schools; Kent Jackson Parrent, Asst. Principal – Christian County Schools/Christian County High School

**Rookie of the Year** – Officer Kent Keen – Barren County Sheriff’s Office/Barren County Schools

**Award of Merit** – Officer Jeff May – Grayson Police Department/East Carter High School

**KYASRO SCHOLARSHIP**—William Alexander King V, Jessamine County HS
KYASRO Members

As we are rapidly approaching the end of this school year we can reflect on the past year and all that has occurred. Our nation was rocked with the tragedy in Newtown, Connecticut in December that called attention to the importance of SRO’s in schools. We work tirelessly to make our schools safe places for students to learn. We have also been made aware of a supreme court decision that will make us evaluate our practices during investigations at school.

With that being said, I must stress the importance of attending our annual conference in June. This conference, as in the past, keeps SRO’s up to date on current practices in school safety, new strategies to utilize and allows the SRO’s across the state to collaborate on efforts being made to maintain safe learning environments for our “kids”. During this conference we will recognize several SRO’s and administrators who have excelled in maintaining safe schools. We also will present a scholarship to a young man who has demonstrated his ability to work with his classmates to maintain a safe school and community.

Summer break is a time for rest and renewal. I hope each of you have a enjoyable summer and are eager to return to our schools in August.

I look forward to continue serving you in the coming year. Please visit our website at www.kyasro.com and if you have any questions or comments please do not hesitate to contact me or any of our Board members.

Sincerely,

Glenn Woodard,
President
Kentucky Association of School Resource Officers
STUDENTS LEARN ABOUT WHAT TO DO DURING A SCHOOL EMERGENCY

Join us for the 10th Annual Safe Schools and Communities Conference Law Enforcement Family Night

When: Monday, June 10th

Where: Louisville Slugger Field (transportation on your own)

Cost: Free of charge for law enforcement conference participants and their families. You must register prior to the game.

Participants will receive free admission to the game (starts at 7:10) and a buffet dinner. Family night is provided by KCPC, KYASRO, and DARE Associations.

You MUST RSVP with Lee Ann Morrison at lee-ann.morrison@eku.edu by Monday, June 3rd if you are going to attend. We will need to know how many will be in your party.

2013 SAFE SCHOOLS and COMMUNITIES

10th Annual Safe Schools and Communities Conference
June 10-12, 2013
Marriott Louisville East
1903 Embassy Square Boulevard
Louisville, KY 40299

A wide variety of school safety topics will be addressed in the Safe Schools and Communities Conference. For the first time, law enforcement officers have teamed with school personnel to produce comprehensive school safety training sessions that address issues such as building security, drug abuse, active shooter psychology, bus crisis response, natural disaster response, suicide prevention, law updates, and much more.

After the recent tragedy in Connecticut it is even more important that we all work together to provide Safe Schools for our students.

Register Now ——www.kycss.org
NASRO’S RESPONSE TO THE NRA’S RECOMMENDATION OF ARMED PERSONNEL IN SCHOOLS

SRO: Police should be first choice to carry guns in schools

Carefully selected, specially trained school resource officers recommended

April 4, 2013 — HOOVER, Ala. — The National Association of School Resource Officers (www.nasro.org) responded today to a school security plan offered by a National Rifle Association task force by providing its own recommendation regarding armed personnel in schools.

“NASRO recommends that a carefully selected, properly trained school resource officer be the first choice in a person who carries a firearm on a school campus,” said Mo Canady, NASRO executive director. “We understand that funding and other considerations, however, might lead local policy makers to consider other options.”

“School resource officers are very much more than an armed security presence,” Canady continued. “They are fully integrated into the fabric of the school environment and any school would benefit from having one.”

Canady explained that sworn law enforcement officers with the appropriate skills and backgrounds are the most reliable and most secure option for school safety and security. Canady said NASRO recommends that school resource officer (SRO) candidates have unique and specialized skills and characteristics, including:

- Experience working with youth
- Appropriate dispositions and ability to work in team situations
- Strong public speaking and instructional skills
- Appropriate amount of street experience

In addition, Canady recommended that educators be involved in the SRO selection process.

Canady pointed out that because SROs are first sworn law enforcement officers, they have already undergone extensive background checks and testing. To work effectively in school environments, however, SROs require knowledge and skills not provided by typical police training. These include:

- The triad concept of school-based policing (acting as teacher, informal counselor and law enforcer)
- SRO roles and responsibilities
- School law
- Special education

Because NASRO recognizes that funding limitations prevent some schools from employing SROs, the organization is working to increase funding options. For example, NASRO has supported legislation introduced by Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA) that would make grants available to local governments to place school resource officers in schools in their jurisdictions.

“NASRO will continue to do all it can to support more funding for school resource officers,” Canady said.
10 Things Every Cop Should Know
by Kevin Quinn – NASRO PRESIDENT

› 1. Know the schools in your patrol area or beat
› 2. The safety of the children and the staff at school comes first; being “officer friendly” is second
› 3. Get involved in the training of school staff for a crisis on campus
› 4. Investigate any and all threats of violence thoroughly
› 5. Inform the parents that there’s a crisis management plan in place
› 6. Be visible near the campus during the day
› 7. Be alert to the bigger picture when responding to calls
› 8. Accept that there’s a very real possibility that you can’t stop the first shot from being fired
› 9. Have a SRO at the schools
› 10. Never have the mindset of “it can’t happen here”

Youth Symposium
Richmond, Ky
November 4, 2013

For registration contact
Amy.Andrews@ky.gov

SRO GLENN WOODARD AT PARIS ISLAND TRAINING
TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

DOCJT Basic SRO Training – RICHMOND
June 17– 21, 2013

DOCJT Advanced SRO Training – RICHMOND
July 16 – 19, 2013

10th Annual Safe Schools and Communities Conference – LOUISVILLE
June 10 – 12, 2013

Youth Symposium—RICHMOND
November 4, 2013
KCSS and DOCJT requested information about current SRO’S from all Police Chief’s. This map represents the responses we were given.

If you are aware of a full-time SRO in one of the areas not reported please contact Lee Ann Morrison at leeann.morrison@eku.edu
KYASRO and The Kentucky Center for School Safety grieves, along with the rest of the nation over the tremendous loss in Moore, Oklahoma. After a tornado carved a mile-wide path of destruction near Oklahoma City at approximately 3:00 p.m. on May 20th, the vivid pictures of children, educators and first responders mixed with the devastation at both Twin Towers Elementary School and Briarwood Elementary filled us with sorrow and compassion. Our thoughts and hearts go out to all families and residents in the surrounding area.

REMINDEERS ABOUT WEATHER EMERGENCIES

Watches: Indicate that conditions are right for development of a weather hazard. Watches cover a larger area than Warnings. Watches usually have lead times of approximately 1-2 hours (tornado or thunderstorm), 3-12 hours (flash flood), and 12-36 hours (river flood or winter storm).

Warnings: Indicate that a hazard is imminent and the probability of occurrence is extremely high. Warnings are issued based on eyewitness reports or clear signatures from remote sensing devices (radar, satellite). Warnings usually have lead times of approximately 30 minutes or less (for thunderstorm type events), and 6-18 hours (for river floods and winter storms). The Weather Channel should be programmed on hand held radios. If electricity were lost weather information would still be available.

Advisories: Issued when weather is expected to disrupt normal routines, but is not expected to be life threatening (e.g., 2-3 inches of snow, dense fog, etc.). Advisory lead times are the same as Warnings.

Upon Issuance of a Watch or Advisory
Principal, Team:
• Activate appropriate members of Emergency Response Team to be alert for possible change in weather status
• Monitor weather reports for change in conditions

Upon Issuance of a Warning
Principal, Team:
• Implement Severe Weather Safe Area procedure
• All students and staff shall proceed to designated safe areas
• Remain quiet to hear further instructions
• Occupants of portable classrooms shall move quickly to the main building to designated shelter areas
• Follow standard student accounting and reporting procedures
• Occupants of shelter areas shall remain in that area until the “all clear” is given
• In the event of building damage, students shall be evacuated to safer areas of the building or from the building
  • If evacuation occurs, do not reenter the building until given the “all clear”
Active Shooter Response Training
Instructor Course

A.L.I.C.E. Training Course
(Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate)

This 2-Day Instructor training course is designed to teach proactive, survival strategies in violent intruder or active shooter situations. Help save lives by providing training that will bridge the gap between the time a violent event begins and law enforcement arrives.

Location: Gateway Community & Tech College-Boone Campus
500 Technology Way
Florence, KY 41042

Date & Time: July 18-19, 2013 8:00 am-4:00pm

Registration: $395 per person ($100 discount for OSROA or NASRO members)
Register at www.responseoptions.com

Course Modules:
- Background: You will become knowledgeable of statistics and information about active shooter situations and why A.L.I.C.E. training is effective.
- A.L.I.C.E. Concept: We will deliver a detailed overview of A.L.I.C.E. training and the liability of proactive vs. passive response strategies.
- Physical Drill: You will experience live scenario drills that compare a static vs. active A.L.I.C.E. response.
- Effective Training: You will receive strategies and be provided with materials to become an effective A.L.I.C.E. Instructor in your organization.

Hosted by: Gateway Community & Technical College
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