



ADULT EDUCATION



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SPECIAL SCHOOLS



THERAPY SERVICES

# Board Presentation

*The Center for Safe and Secure Schools  
2021 Year End Report*

**SEE THE IMPACT**



The Center for  
**Safe and Secure Schools**  
Harris County Department of Education

# Who We Are



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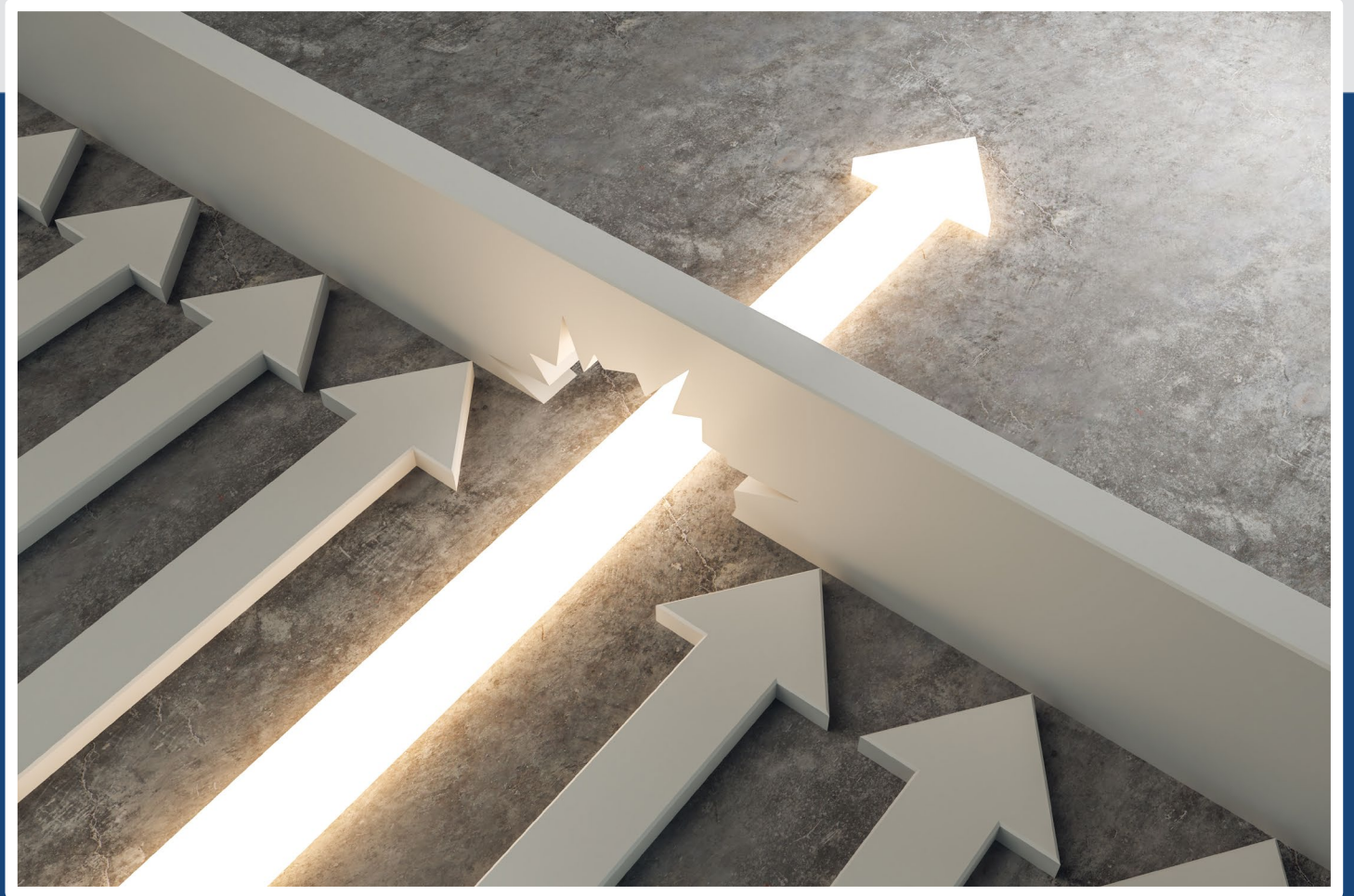


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# Who We Are

The Center for Safe and Secure Schools was established in 1999 at the request of school superintendents to advance safe and secure environments for learning and teaching. The Center seeks new and innovative opportunities to continue to build safer and more secure learning environments.



# Services Available

State-mandated facility  
safety and security audits

Ongoing opportunities for  
training in a variety of topics  
such as “threat assessment”  
and “Intruderology” (active-  
shooter)

Restorative Discipline  
Practices training/Equity &  
Implicit Bias Trainings

Trauma and Resilience  
Training/Youth Mental  
Health First Aid Training



# Highlight Video

VIDEO  
(to be included)



# 25 District Memberships

23 IN-  
COUNTY

2 OUT-OF-  
COUNTY



# Training Topics

Active Shooter (CRASE)	Implicit Bias Awareness Series with Paul Forbes
Basic ICS for Campus Administrators	Lunch n' Learn – Relationships and Connecting
Basic NIMS for Administrators	Mindfulness for Educators
Chat with The Chiefs	Pulling Together - Equity Symposium
Connections Before Content	Resilience for Educators 2.0
Emergency Operations	Restorative Practices
Enhancing Resiliency: Responding through Triggers	Safety Leadership Cohort Series
Equity Bootcamp	Threat Assessment



# Educators Served / Professional Development

In County = 4,164

Indirect Students Served = 32,924

Out of County = 112





# Collaborative Partners

Mental Health of  
America

United Way

Crime Stoppers

Harris County  
Sheriff's Office

Unbound Houston

Behavior Centers  
of America-  
Houston Chamber

City of Houston  
Emergency  
Management

Harris County  
Emergency  
Management



# Trends and Challenges

1

Meeting the safety and security needs of all districts with limited staff

2

Expanding our offerings through various media platforms such as webinars

3

Partnering with national and statewide organizations to provide trainings for districts



# Client Satisfaction

99.4%

of professional development survey participants and client satisfaction survey participants were satisfied with services received.



# Goals

- Provide services designed to highlight best practices in school safety and multi-hazard emergency operations planning.
- Supply training and services for educators highlighting best practices with social-emotional learning and equity.



# Goals

- Build, maintain and sustain client relationships through delivery of quality, end users of services and professional development.
- Deliver strong internal support to HCDE schools and facilities.





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