



STATE OF GEORGIA SCHOOL SAFETY PLAN CHECKLIST

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The Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency (GEMA/HS) and the Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE) have worked in partnership to develop the following State of Georgia School Safety Plan Checklist to accompany the State of Georgia Guide for School Safety Plans.

The State of Georgia School Safety Plan Checklist includes items required by law along with recommended best practices references. Required items have been delineated within the checklist to assist in plan development with references to the Georgia Code. To provide additional guidance, the checklist includes guide page numbers and legal statutes, along with checkboxes for items that have been completed as you work through the completion of your plan.

SCHOOL NAME:

ACADEMIC YEAR:

SECTION 1 LEGAL REQUIREMENTS FOR GEORGIA SCHOOL SAFETY PLANS			
CHECK	GUIDE ITEM	GUIDE REFERENCES	LAW
<input type="checkbox"/>	Purpose	Guide Page-7	OCGA 20-2-1185
<input type="checkbox"/>	School Safety Plan Focus Areas	Guide Page-7	OCGA 20-2-1185
<input type="checkbox"/>	Preparedness	Guide Page-7	OCGA 20-2-1185
<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Input	Guide Page-7	OCGA 20-2-1185
<input type="checkbox"/>	Strategy Areas	Guide Page-7	OCGA 20-2-1185
<input type="checkbox"/>	Plan Submission: Local EMA, Law Enforcement & GEMA/HS	Guide Page-7	OCGA 20-2-1185
<input type="checkbox"/>	School Safety Zones	Guide Page-7	OCGA 20-2-1185
<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation	Guide Page-8	OCGA 20-2-1185
<input type="checkbox"/>	Drills	Guide Page-8	OCGA 20-2-1185
<input type="checkbox"/>	Behavioral Threat Assessment & Management	Guide Page-8	OCGA 20-2-1185 Code 1197
<input type="checkbox"/>	Training & Technical Assistance	Guide Page-8	OCGA 20-2-1185
<input type="checkbox"/>	Comprehensive School Safety & Student Well-Being Act	Guide Page-9	HB 268
<input type="checkbox"/>	Safe Schools Act	Guide Page-9	HB 147
<input type="checkbox"/>	BTAM	Guide Page-10	OCGA 20-2-1185 Code 1197 January 1, 2027



SECTION 2 SCHOOL SAFETY LAWS OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL SAFETY PLANS

CHECK	GUIDE ITEM	GUIDE REFERENCES	LAW
<input type="checkbox"/>	Weapons in School Safety Zones	Guide Page-12	OCGA 16-11-127.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sharing & Reporting Cyber Incidents	Guide Page-12	OCGA 38-3-22.2
<input type="checkbox"/>	Opioids	Guide Page-13	OCGA 31-11-55.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Diabetes Medical Plan	Guide Page-13	OCGA 20-2-779
<input type="checkbox"/>	Suicide Prevention	Guide Page-14	OCGA 20-2-779.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Panic Alert Systems	Guide Page-14	OCGA 20-2-591 July 1, 2026
<input type="checkbox"/>	Addy's Law	Guide Page-15	OCGA 40-6-163
<input type="checkbox"/>	Safety Drills	Guide Page-16	OCGA 20-2-742
<input type="checkbox"/>	Intruder Alert Drills	Guide Page-16	OCGA 20-2-742
<input type="checkbox"/>	Distraction-Free Education Act	Guide Page-17	HB 340 July 1, 2026

SECTION 3 SCHOOL SAFETY PLAN BEST PRACTICES

CHECK	GUIDE ITEM	GUIDE REFERENCES
<input type="checkbox"/>	School Crisis Plan Roles, Responsibilities, and Designated Locations	Guide Page-19
<input type="checkbox"/>	Behavioral Threat Assessment & Management (BTAM)	Guide Page-19
<input type="checkbox"/>	Panic Alert Systems	Guide Page-20
<input type="checkbox"/>	Emergency Evacuation Protocol	Guide Page-21
<input type="checkbox"/>	Students with Disabilities	Guide Page-22
<input type="checkbox"/>	Emergency Kits & Devices	Guide Page-23
<input type="checkbox"/>	Family Assistance Protocol	Guide Page-23
<input type="checkbox"/>	Accident or Illness	Guide Page-24
<input type="checkbox"/>	Diabetes Medical Plan	Guide Page-25
<input type="checkbox"/>	Naloxone/Overdoses	Guide Page-25
<input type="checkbox"/>	Threat or Occurrence of Suicide at School	Guide Page-26
<input type="checkbox"/>	Death at School	Guide Page-27
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bomb Threat/Bomb	Guide Page-28
<input type="checkbox"/>	Suspicious Package	Guide Page-29



<input type="checkbox"/>	Shelter-in-Place	Guide Page-29
<input type="checkbox"/>	School Closures	Guide Page-30
<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation	Guide Page-30
<input type="checkbox"/>	Addy's Law	Guide Page-32
<input type="checkbox"/>	After-Hours School Functions	Guide Page-33
<input type="checkbox"/>	Off-Campus School Functions	Guide Page-34
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fire	Guide Page-34
<input type="checkbox"/>	Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, & Explosives (CBRNE)	Guide Page-35
<input type="checkbox"/>	Terrorism	Guide Page-39
<input type="checkbox"/>	Intruder/Suspicious Person	Guide Page-40
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hostage/Barricade	Guide Page-41
<input type="checkbox"/>	School Disruption/Civil Disturbance	Guide Page-42
<input type="checkbox"/>	Student Runaway/Abduction/Missing Student	Guide Page-43
<input type="checkbox"/>	Report of Weapon on Campus	Guide Page-44
<input type="checkbox"/>	Active Attacks	Guide Page-45
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tornado	Guide Page-46
<input type="checkbox"/>	Flooding	Guide Page-48
<input type="checkbox"/>	Winter Weather	Guide Page-49
<input type="checkbox"/>	Earthquake	Guide Page-51
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hurricane/Tropical Storm/Depression	Guide Page-51
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pandemic and Epidemic	Guide Page-52
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cybersecurity and Other Computer Intrusions	Guide Page-52

SECTION 4 RESOURCES

CHECK	GUIDE ITEM	GUIDE REFERENCES
<input type="checkbox"/>	Local Area Homeland Security Coordinators	Guide Page-55
<input type="checkbox"/>	Training and Services	Guide Page-57
<input type="checkbox"/>	GEMA/HS Training Options	Guide Page-57
<input type="checkbox"/>	GaDOE Training Options	Guide Page-58
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ready Georgia Seal of Preparedness	Guide Page-59
<input type="checkbox"/>	BTAM Descriptions	Guide Page-60



<input type="checkbox"/>	Panic Alert System Rules	Guide Page-60
<input type="checkbox"/>	Emergency Evacuation Kit Items	Guide Page-60
<input type="checkbox"/>	Threat or Occurrence of Suicide at School Resources	Guide Page-63
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pandemic and Epidemic Levels	Guide Page-63
<input type="checkbox"/>	Terms and Definitions	Guide Page-67
<input type="checkbox"/>	Glossary of Links	Guide Page-70
<input type="checkbox"/>	Attachment A: Bomb Threat Assessment Questionnaire	Guide Page-73
<input type="checkbox"/>	Attachment B: Lockdown Procedures	Guide Page-74



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