

**Burlington County School  
Crisis Response Team  
Member Districts  
2017-2018**

Bass River Township  
BCSSSD  
Benjamin Banneker Preparatory Charter  
Beverly City  
Bordentown  
Burlington County Institute of Technology  
Burlington City  
Burlington Township  
Chesterfield  
Cinnaminson  
Delanco  
Delran  
Eastampton  
Edgewater Park  
Evesham  
Florence  
Hainesport  
Hampton Academy  
Lenape Regional HS  
Lumberton  
Mansfield Township  
Maple Shade  
Medford Lakes  
Medford Township  
Moorestown  
Mount Holly  
Mount Laurel  
New Hanover  
North Hanover  
Northern Burlington  
Palmyra  
Pemberton Township  
Rancocas Valley Regional HS  
Riverside  
Riverton  
Rowan College at Burlington County  
Shamong  
Southampton  
Springfield  
Tabernacle  
Westampton  
Willingboro  
Woodland



For more information on the  
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School Crisis Response Team,**  
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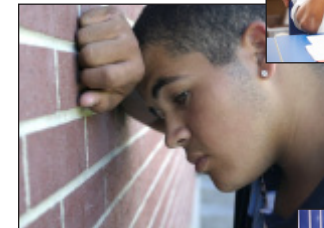
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*The Educational Services Unit is the  
collaborative effort of 42 Burlington  
County School Districts formed in 1997 to  
provide high quality shared services and  
opportunities to students and staff.*

*Access our website for more information  
and helpful resources:*

[www.bcscrt.org](http://www.bcscrt.org)



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**School Crisis  
Response Team**

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## Who We Are & What We Do

The Burlington County School Crisis Response Team is comprised of approximately 80 members. Team members from participating districts represent various disciplines, including school administrators, guidance counselors, school psychologists, social workers, teachers, school nurses, security experts, media relations professionals and other related areas.

*"... in a most tragic circumstance, the dedicated work of the Team was invaluable in this time of need. There is no doubt that we could not have served our students and staff in accepting and coping with this unfortunate incident without the effort of our BCSCRT." - Superintendent*

All members of the team are volunteers who have specialized training in school crisis response and are available to support districts in time of need.

When mobilized for a crisis in your district, teams act as a support system for your staff, students and community. The presence of the Crisis Response Team offers a greater pool of resources to enhance your response within the community.

*"...no words seem adequate to thank the members of the BCSCRT for all the help and support given that horrible day and the days which followed. The team was here immediately and provided critical support and guidance when it was most needed."- Superintendent*

## How Can We Help?

In the event of a crisis in your district, a single phone call will activate our response. Members of the Burlington County School Crisis Response Team will arrive ready to provide immediate support. The Team Leader will meet with the designated administrator, who at all times maintains control of the crisis response. The Administrator and Team Leader will discuss the services available and decide which will be implemented to assist your school community through this difficult time.

### Those services may include :

- Facilitating a faculty meeting before or after school
- Preparing an announcement for teachers to share with students in the classroom
- Establishing and staffing Safe Rooms for counseling of students and faculty members
- Assisting with security needs
- Preparing communications via letter, web postings and messaging systems
- Acting as media liaison
- Helping to arrange parent or community meetings

## Why Engage A County-Wide Team?

All public school districts have developed comprehensive emergency management plans, and most districts have both building-level and district rapid response teams to cover emergent situations. Such teams are essential, as your response in the first crucial moments of a crisis is most important.

Consider, however, the vulnerability of your school if key personnel are called away from their normal positions to aid in the sustained stages of handling a crisis.

Are those who best know the impacted students and staff unavailable to them in this time of need? Will the primary responders in your district be among those most profoundly impacted by this event?

Burlington County's School Crisis Response Team offers the same level of support to all districts.

In addition, it:

- Keeps "walking wounded" from serving as caregivers
- Provides a highly-skilled team
- Offers benefits of increased experience