



Alyssa's Law Compliance Checklist for Schools

Alyssa's Law focuses on reducing emergency response times by enabling direct communication between schools and law enforcement. While requirements vary by state - and federal legislation is still progressing - schools should act now to assess readiness and close gaps.

Use this checklist to understand the key steps and where your current processes may need to evolve.

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Confirm your legal requirements

Start by understanding what applies to your school or district.



Confirm whether Alyssa's Law is enacted in your state



Review any state-specific requirements or deadlines



Check for pending legislation that may impact your district



Identify whether funding or grant programs are available



Keep a record of applicable regulations and guidance

02



Assess your panic alarm capability

The core of Alyssa's Law is a direct line to first responders.



Confirm a silent panic alarm system is in place and operational



Verify mobile or wearable access for staff across the site



Test system reliability and response times



Ensure the system connects directly to law enforcement (not just 911 dispatch)



Check that alerts can be triggered quickly from multiple locations

03



Ensure full-site accessibility

A system is only effective if it works everywhere it's needed.



Confirm coverage across classrooms, offices, and shared spaces



Identify any coverage gaps or dead zones



Document how access is managed and maintained



Ensure staff can activate alerts regardless of their location



Review accessibility for substitute staff and temporary workers

04



Review your emergency response maps

Accurate, accessible maps are critical for fast response.



Ensure maps are in a digital, geospatial format



Confirm access across laptops, tablets, and smartphones



Ensure maps can be updated in real time



Check compatibility with local emergency response systems



Verify maps annually with a physical walkthrough

05



Build or update your safety master plan

Alyssa's Law sits within a broader approach to school safety.



Maintain a documented school safety master plan



Include a full audit of existing safety resources and personnel



Identify short- and long-term risks and response needs



Define emergency plans and communication



Include cost estimates and funding strategies



Schedule regular reviews and updates

06



Train staff to respond quickly

Technology only works if people know how to use it under pressure.



Train staff on when and how to activate panic alarms



Run drills that include real-world scenarios



Keep records of training completion



Ensure teams understand emergency protocols and escalation paths



Include substitute teachers and temporary staff in training

07



Strengthen your reporting and documentation

Visibility and accountability are becoming increasingly important.



Track system tests, activations, and maintenance



Document safety procedures and updates



Maintain records of drills and training sessions



Establish a process for annual safety reporting



Prepare to align with future federal reporting requirements

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Test and improve your response readiness

Preparation isn't static—systems and processes need regular validation.



Run scheduled panic alarm tests



Measure response times and identify delays



Refine processes based on real-world testing



Simulate emergency scenarios involving staff and responders



Gather feedback from staff and first responders

Preparing for what's next

Alyssa's Law is raising the standard for school safety and expectations will continue to evolve. Starting early gives your school time to:



Identify and fix gaps without pressure



Build staff confidence through training



Test systems in real conditions



Avoid rushed, last-minute compliance efforts

But compliance alone isn't the goal. **Readiness is.**

That means knowing who's on site, being able to account for everyone instantly, and giving first responders accurate information without delay.

Sign In App helps schools build that real-time visibility - so when something happens, your team can act with clarity, not guesswork.



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