

2025 SEPLA CONFERENCE

June 16-18, 2025 | Mt. Pleasant Comfort Inn & Suites Conference Center

2025 SEPLA SCHEDULE

MONDAY | 06.16.25

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
OFF-SITE TRAINING

Shepherd High School
321 South Fourth St
Shepherd, MI 48883

POLICE SCENARIO TRAINING

Emphasizing hands-on, interactive and multi scenario-based situations that are designed to simulate real life stress and circumstances encountered in the field. Lead instructor of these simulations Sgt. Kendall Kretzschmer of the Livingston County Sheriff's Office along with Livingston Regional SWAT Team.

Lead Instructor

Sgt. Kendall Kretzschmer

Livingston County Sheriff's Office

ON-SITE LUNCH | 11:30 AM - 12:15 PM

PLEASE NOTE: For those traveling in on Monday, check-in at the Comfort Inn & Suites Hotel will be available after the training session.

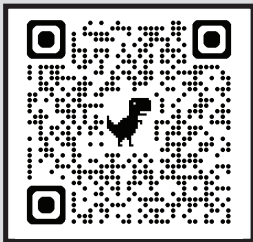
NETWORKING EVENT

Join us for a casual evening of networking, food, beverages, corn hole and cards!

MONDAY EVENING

5:00 - 9:00 PM

Certificate of Completion will be provided to participants that attend scheduled sessions at the close of your last scheduled class.



Scan QR Code to register
for the
2025 SEPLA Conference

TUESDAY | 06.17.25

BREAKFAST | 7:00 - 8:00 AM

7:00 - 7:45 AM
REGISTRATION

EDUCATORS
DAY

7:45 - 8:00 AM

NATIONAL ANTHEM
INVOCATION

MORNING BRIEFING

SEPLA President, Luke Sawyer,

Chief of Shepherd Police Department

8:00 AM - NOON

SCHOOL BASED DRUG &
CONCEALMENT TRENDS

This session will provide the ability, knowledge and confidence to help prevent and identify students who may be abusing drugs and/or alcohol. Strategies and different terms that are consistent with student alcohol & drug abuse will be reviewed and several identifiers, logos and terms that are commonly related to drug (illegal and over the counter) and alcohol abuse, marijuana abuse, and drug concealment at school.

Officer Jermaine Galloway, The Tall Cop

LUNCH | 12:30 - 1:30 PM

1:30 - 3:30 PM

RECENT SOCIAL MEDIA TRENDS

In this session, we will review changes and updates to all leading social media platforms, provide key information for SS/TA teams on recent online threat trends, language, and new ways that students communicate online. Additionally, we will walkthrough a recent case file handled by SST Threat Analysts and provide an overview of digital leakage identified in mass tragedies. online threat trends and practical tools to assess and respond.

Steven MacDonald

Director of Training & Development

Safer Schools Together

3:30 - 4:30 PM

INTERACTIVE SCENARIOS: FOCUSING
ON CRISIS MANAGEMENT,
COMMUNICATION, AND
COLLABORATION

Participants will work through simulated challenges—such as family crises, student safety issues, and community-school partnerships—practicing the skills needed to navigate complex situations. The exercises will foster collaboration, critical thinking, and problem-solving, allowing attendees to refine their approach to crisis response, conflict resolution, and community engagement.

Facilitated by SEPLA Board

WEDNESDAY | 06.18.25

BREAKFAST | 7:00 - 8:00 AM

7:00 - 7:45 AM
REGISTRATION

8:00 - 8:15 AM

MORNING BRIEFING

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NASHVILLE METRO

2023 Covenant Shooting

On March 27, 2023 a shooter entered the Covenant School in Nashville TN intent on murdering students. Join Commander Scott Byrd as he shares the 30,000' view as the On-Scene Incident Commander and Detective Michael Collazo as he shares the 3' view as someone who had direct contact with the suspect.

Commander Scott Byrd

Detective Michael Collazo

LUNCH | NOON - 1:00 PM

1:00 - 3:00 PM

SEXTORTION - JORDAN DEMAY
CASE STUDY -

On March 25, 2022, 17-year-old Jordan DeMay killed himself after being sextorted for five and a half hours by Nigerian actors. The investigation led to the arrest, extradition, conviction and sentencing of the suspects in federal prison. The presentation of this case will cover the following:

- Background of the victim and suspects
- Death investigation
- Preservation of digital evidence
- Digital investigation
- Importance of collaboration and communication
- Media releases
- Why this case was successful
- Prevention of sextortion
- Law enforcement response to sextortion

Undersheriff Lowell Larson

Marquette County Sheriff's Office

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