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LaGrange Police, LaGrange and Troup County Fire Departments Hold Active Threat/Shooter Training, Solidifying Troup County Schools Protocol Agreement

LaGrange, Ga October 24, 2018 – The LaGrange Police Department along with the LaGrange and Troup County Fire Departments are participating in active threat/shooter training this week.



Figure LaGrange & Troup County Fire Practicing Victim Extrication

Dozens from Troup County public safety are role playing several different scenarios to prepare for potential emergencies at the old Whitesville Elementary School on Whitesville Road.

Police are practicing locating, identifying, and neutralizing the threat while firefighters are practicing victim extrication.

“It’s imperative that, collectively, public safety is as prepared as possible to respond to an active threat event,” said LPD Lt. Eric Lohr who is organizing the training.

“This week is a great opportunity for public safety to come together and train on those tactics and procedures that we’ve identified as best practice in an active threat event.”



LPD practicing locating, identifying, and neutralizing the threat

The LaGrange Police Department began active threat/shooter training in 2000 shortly after the Columbine High School shooting in 1999.

This training is also in collaboration with Troup County public safety agencies and the Troup County School System. The agencies continue to collaborate together in solidifying the TCSS Active Threat Memorandum of Understanding.

Last week representatives from Troup County public safety agencies including LaGrange, Troup County, Hogansville, and West Point



Pictured from left to right: LPD Chief Lou Dekmar, Hogansville Police Chief Brian Harr, West Point Fire Chief Mitt (Milton) Smith, & Troup County Sheriff James Woodruff. Interim Superintendent Roy Nichols is signing the document.

signed the TCCS's MOU, or Memorandum of Understanding of what to do in the event of an active threat.

The training will continue Wednesday and Thursday.

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