

# School Mobilization Assistance Response Teams

SMART

# What is a crisis that activates the SMART team?

- Any incident causing loss of life in the school building
- Death of a student or staff member
- A violent incident or accident on or near the school grounds
- A violent incident involving students or faculty off school grounds
- Death of a family member of a student or staff member

# Trauma Intervention Program (TIP)

- “Citizens helping citizens in crisis”
- Specially trained community volunteers
- Provide emotional and practical support immediately after a crisis
- Called to crisis scenes by emergency responders, hospital staff
- Contact schools to share information about the crisis



# Parkrose SMART Teams

- All Parkrose School Counselors and School Psychologists
- Full SMART training (2 days)
- Twice yearly updates

# Consistent communication plan

- TIP
- District SMART Coordinator (also TIP volunteer)
- Superintendent
- Principals
- Counselors
- Staff
- Students
- Parents

# Consistent planning for school response

- Faculty meeting at start of day
- Scripted, factual message shared with students
- SAFE room available & staffed
- Letter to parents
- After-school de-briefing



# Consistent considerations for after the event

- Memorial service planning
- Monitor at-risk students
- Share information about how and where to receive and give support

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- SMART planning and preparation lead to thoughtful response.