



BE PREPARED FOR AN ACTIVE AGGRESSOR/ SHOOTER

An active shooter/aggressor incidents are unpredictable and can evolve quickly.

An active aggressor or shooter is a person who appears to be actively engaged in killing or attempting to kill people in a populated area—typically using firearms, but possibly using other weapons such as knives or vehicles.



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IF YOU ARE INVOLVED IN AN ACTIVE AGGRESSOR/SHOOTER INCIDENT

Case Western Reserve follows the Run. Hide. Fight. active-aggressor protocol:

Run

- Have an escape route and plan in mind.
- Leave your belongings behind.
- Help others escape, if possible.
- Evacuate regardless of others.
- Warn/prevent individuals from entering the area.

Hide

- Be out of the active aggressor's view.
- Provide protection if shots are fired.
- Don't restrict options for movement.
- Transition and run away if the situation allows.
- If the shooter is nearby:
 - Lock the door.
 - Hide behind large items.
 - Silence your phone.
 - Remain quiet.

Fight

- Commit to your actions.
- Act as aggressively as possible.
- Throw objects and improvised items around you as weapons.
- Work together to incapacitate the aggressor.

When law enforcement arrives:

1. Remain calm, and follow officers' instructions.
2. Immediately raise hands and spread fingers.
3. Keep hands visible at all times.
4. Avoid making quick movements toward officers, such as attempting to hold on to them for safety.
5. Avoid pointing, screaming and/or yelling.
6. Do not stop to ask officers for help or direction when evacuating—just proceed in the direction from which officers are entering the premises.