Ken Trump Praises Response by ALICE Trained School District

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Ken Trump, a long time critic of ALICE’s success appears to acknowledge what the Ohio Attorney General and the US Department of Education have already concluded – having multiple response options, such as ALICE, during violent intruder events can help save lives in K-12 schools.

After a tense situation at an Ohio high school, the ‘Toledo News Now’ reported,

“Both the Toledo Police Department and the Toledo Public School officials say students, teachers and administrators perfectly executed the strategies taught in the ALICE training they have undergone.” Toledo News Now (December 2, 2013)

Toledo Police say a student has been charged after a standoff with police inside Scott High School Monday morning. The incident began when the suspect called a teacher a name, and the situation escalated from there. Police received a call of a person with a gun inside the school at 9:30 AM. Everyone in the room believed it was a real gun at the time, and ran out into a hallway. Police later learned the student had a pellet gun, which closely resembled a real firearm. The student also had a knife, according to Toledo Police.

Shortly after the incident was over, Ken Trump posted on his company’s Facebook the following:
“Trump’s one size fits all approach is not the best response when a violent intruder is already in the room such as what we saw in Toledo today. Evacuating the room was the right choice. We could never understand why Ken Trump would want students to lockdown in a room where a violent intruder is present. Regardless of his reasons, we're glad to have him praise an ALICE trained school district,” said Greg Crane, founder of the ALICE training program. Until now, Ken Trump may be widely known for misrepresenting the ALICE program in an effort to promote the services of his residence-based, single-employee consulting company he calls National School Safety and Security Services. Historically Ken Trump has advocated for the same lockdown-only approach to a violent intruder that was used by Columbine High School in 1999.

To see the full Toledo News Now Report go to [www.ToledoNewsNow.com](http://www.ToledoNewsNow.com)

The ALICE Training Institute is changing how schools, universities and businesses respond to armed intruders. ALICE (Alert, Lock-down, Inform, Counter, and Evacuate), developed after Columbine, teaches strategies to survive a life-threatening event. Supported by educators and law enforcement organizations, ALICE is quickly becoming the new standard of care across the nation.

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