Active Shooter Decision Tree

**HEAR gunshots, SEE a weapon or people screaming and CONFIRMING shots/weapons?**
- Decide if your best response is to Run, Hide, or Fight

**Receive LOCKDOWN message via text, phone or email?**
*Do you HEAR or SEE anything?*
- Yes
  - Decide if your best response is Run, Hide, or Fight
- No
  - Lock your doors and get away from windows. Continue to assess and make a plan for what to do:
    - If the attacker is coming your way
      - Run, Hide or Fight
    - If the attacker enters your space
      - Fight

**DECISION GUIDELINES:**

**RUN**
- Run from cover to cover so the shooter has difficulty aiming at you.
- Try to get natural barriers (cover) between you and the attacker (walls, poles, planters).
- Be aware of your surroundings – there could be more than one attacker.
- Be quiet except to warn others.
- Run **all the way off campus** to a safe location. Do not stop to get your vehicle.

If you are in a large group, and you have time, try to leave a few at a time to minimize attracting attention.

**HIDE**
- Lock doors and windows.
- Cover windows if you have time.
- Try to hide out of view of windows and be quiet.
- Keep assessing the situation (peek out windows without being seen, listen, check campus Facebook and Twitter for status updates).
- Plan how to get a strategic advantage if the attacker enters your room.

**FIGHT - Make a total commitment to act as a team to plan how to survive**
- Every room is different. Make your plan based on your resources.
- Place items near the door to block the view into the room or trip the attacker.
- Distract the attacker while others knock him/her to the ground. Hold him/her down
- Remove weapon if possible and place under a trash can or other covering.
  - DO NOT PICK UP THE WEAPON or Police may mistake you for the attacker.