Scenario One
Bomb Threat

It is 10:45am on a Tuesday.

The school’s business office receives a call from a concerned parent. The parent states that she saw a social media post stating that there was a bomb placed in the middle school. The post is very detailed, and asserts that the school has not done enough to help a student who feels that they are being bullied.

1. What are the three most important considerations at this time?
2. How would school officials coordinate with the responding agencies?

Key Points:
- Verification of Threat/Information Gathering
- Notification of Law Enforcement and Response Coordination

A second social media post now states that the bomb is a pipe bomb, filled with nails. The post states that the bomb is in the cafeteria area, and will be detonated at 11:30. Students have begun posting on social media, with many accusing specific students of posting a fake bomb threat.

1. What are the three most important considerations at this time?
2. How will the school provide information to parents, students, and staff?

Key Points:
- Determine need to evacuate
  - How will parents be notified?
  - Where will kids be taken?
  - Will parents be allowed to pick them up?
- Rumor control
- Notification of Law Enforcement and Response Coordination
  - Search procedures

During a search, a suspicious box is found behind a garbage can in the cafeteria.

1. What are the three most important considerations at this time?
2. What information would be provided by the school at this time, and how would it be released?

Key Points:
- Evacuation
- Public Information