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**PAPER ON SCHOOL SHOOTINGS RELEASED**

Michael Minieri, Principal Security Consultant with Minieri Associates, a global independent security consulting and engineering firm, has authored a paper titled **“SCHOOL SHOOTINGS : A Reality Check on Campus Security”**. The document is available in PDF format on the company’s website at [http://www.minieriassociates.com/School\\_Security\\_Feb2013.pdf](http://www.minieriassociates.com/School_Security_Feb2013.pdf)

*“Shooting incidents in our nation’s educational institutions can be a very emotionally charged issue for the stakeholders and the community”, Mr. Minieri said, “Very often, the realities of what should have been done and what should now be done regarding security becomes either overshadowed by the emotions or, more often, are simply unknown to security laymen:*

The article describes five security concepts commonly considered when securing schools against an “active shooter” is being evaluated. For each concept described, Minieri adds some expert commentary from the perspective of an experienced security professional. *“What the average person observes everyday are more perceptions of security. Effective security in reality is what is required for adequate protection against any determined adversary”, he stated.*

Some recommended first steps for schools and universities is also described briefly in the paper.

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