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## **A.L.I.C.E. training completed with Orange City and Hull Schools**

Our School Resource Officer (SRO), Deputy Waylon Pollema, recently completed ALICE training with two more schools in Orange City, IA and Hull, IA. ALICE stands for Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter and Evaluate.

As a certified ALICE instructor, one of Pollema's duties is to train area school staff and students. When it comes to ALICE training, staff and students are not told what they have to do; they are taught about options and tools they can do and use. Common sense options are taught age appropriate to all grade levels. The number one teaching point for elementary and middle school students is that the most important thing the students can do to stay safe at school is to listen to their teacher. Teachers and staff receive a more in-depth version of the training than students.

Pollema recently trained at Orange Christian School and Hull Christian School. Training was done with each individual classroom at both schools where they were taught evacuations, room barricade techniques and listening to their teacher in any situation at school.

Pollema encourages teachers to mentally prepare themselves and have a plan for these types of situations. Going over the plan with the students is a great way for the teachers to prepare.

