



# Academic Community Exercise Starter Kits



Office of Academic Engagement

The DHS Campus Resilience Program Exercise Start Kits are self-conducted tabletop exercises (TTX) tailored for the academic community. Each kit includes a set of scalable tools aimed to test existing emergency plans, protocols, and procedures, while also strengthening preparedness, response, and recovery capabilities.



## Active Shooter

Kits currently available for Elementary Schools, Middle/Junior High Schools, High Schools, and Higher Education



## Hurricane

Kits currently available for Higher Education



## Cyber Breach

Kits currently available for Higher Education

Each kit includes a set of planning documents that contain pre-populated exercise content that is aligned to Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP) methodology and principles:



**Exercise Conduct Briefing** for presentation during the TTX



**After Action Template** for summarizing key strengths and areas of improvement



**Facilitator Guide** for assisting facilitators in delivering TTX



**Participant Feedback Form** for players to provide feedback



**Situation Manual** providing TTX background, scenario content and questions for participants

Each kit contains additional guidance on how to tailor the TTX documents appropriately to meet the desired goals and outcomes of the selected exercise.

The materials within each Exercise Starter Kit have been designed in a **modular format** and can be completed over a single session or completed in individual modules based on user availability. Kit modules successively address issues related to **prevention, protection, mitigation, response, and recovery**.

Exercise Starter Kits are available at no charge to members of the academic community. For more information or questions about the Department of Homeland Security Academic Engagement offerings, please contact [AcademicEngagement@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:AcademicEngagement@hq.dhs.gov)

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