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Press Release

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Pinecrest Police conducted an active shooter drill in Gulliver Preparatory Academy

Pinecrest, Fla. – Pinecrest Police conducted an active shooter drill in Gulliver Preparatory Academy to exercise the recent adoption of uniform lockdown and evacuation protocols in all Pinecrest schools. The active shooter drill took place in the cafeteria and open space outside of cafeteria. The goal of the exercise was to ensure a coordinated response to any given situation that may threaten the safety of students and staff in any of Pinecrest’s public or private schools.

To download pictures, go to: <http://ge.tt/8AMaNRh1?c>.

An active threat can range from an armed subject to a civil disturbance or other life threatening situation. All public and private schools in Pinecrest adopted a uniform lockdown and evacuation protocol in March.

Pinecrest Police and City of North Miami Police teamed up with Miami-Dade Schools Police Department and the Archdiocese of Miami to create a model for uniform lockdown and evacuation protocols in public and private schools. Representatives from each of these entities worked together for a year to develop the pilot program as part of the Independent School Safety Coalition (ISSC). The model will be introduced to school districts nationwide via national safety and education conferences in the upcoming year.

The coalition is part of the In School Safety Working Group, which came from the Miami-Dade County Joint Round Table on Youth Safety headed by Mayor Carlos Gimenez and Miami-Dade Public Schools Superintendent Alberto Carvalho. All private schools in both municipalities have developed evacuation plans and adopted lockdown procedures modeled after Miami-Dade County Public Schools’ protocols.

Pinecrest Police Explorers volunteered as victims for the drill.

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