

SAFER TEXAS: A&M COLLEGE STATION SAFETY SUMMIT

College Station, Texas | July 27th and 28th 2026

Day 1: Strategy, Risk, and Compliance

Learning Objectives:

- Examine emerging threats impacting higher education and how Texas institutions are evolving safety strategies in response.
- Explore best practices for behavioral threat assessment, coordinated response, and cross-functional campus safety operations.
- Explore strategies for creating unified planning and coordinated response across disparate external and internal units and mixed jurisdictional responsibilities.

Agenda:

July 27th

- 8:00 – 8:30 AM Coffee, Registration, & Networking
- 8:30 – 8:45 AM - **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
- 8:45 – 9:45 AM - **The Future of Campus Safety in Texas** - Addressing emerging threats across one of the nation's largest higher education systems, from cybersecurity and hazmat response to behavioral risks, and how institutions like Texas A&M are preparing for the future
- 9:45 – 10:45 AM - **Emerging Threats & Coordinated Response** - Examining today's evolving campus threat landscape and how institutions are aligning safety, culture, and compliance while applying lessons learned from recent incidents nationwide
- 10:45 – 11:00 AM - Break
- 11:00 – 12:00 PM - **Behavioral Threats and Campus Safety in Texas** - Exploring behavioral threat assessment, mental health intervention systems, and coordinated response efforts between campuses and law enforcement agencies
- 12:00 – 1:00 PM - Lunch
- 1:00 – 2:00 PM - TBD
- 2:00 – 3:00 PM - **Case Study: Large Campus Safety Operations** - Exploring how large institutions coordinate safety across decentralized environments, improve real-time visibility, and apply lessons learned from major incidents and near misses.
- 3:00 - 3:15 - Break
- 3:15 - 4:15 PM - **Interactive Workshop: Building a Unified Campus Safety Strategy** - Exploring how campuses can improve real-time reporting, strengthen cross-department coordination, and align safety, compliance, & emergency response workflows
- 5:30 - 8:30 PM - Networking Reception

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Day 2: Operations, Athletics, & Implementation

Learning Objectives:

- Explore how institutions operationalize campus safety through crisis management, governance, & coordinated decision-making.
- Learn how Texas universities and public safety partners are strengthening collaboration and building shared safety strategies statewide.
- Examine best practices for managing large-scale event safety, crowd operations, and emergency response during major game-day environments.

Agenda:

July 28th

- 8:00 – 8:30 AM Coffee & Networking
- 8:30 – 9:30 AM - **Keynote + Crisis Management: Operationalizing Safety at Scale** - Exploring how large institutions operationalize campus safety through coordinated crisis response, strategic communication, governance, and decision-making under pressure
- 9:30 – 9:45 AM - Break
- 9:45 – 10:45 AM - **Collaboration Across Texas Institutions** - Exploring how universities, law enforcement, and emergency management teams are strengthening partnerships and standardizing best practices to build a safer Texas campus network.
- 10:45 – 11:45 AM - **Interactive Session: Defining “Safer Texas 2030”** - A collaborative discussion identifying statewide safety priorities, operational challenges, and shared strategies to shape the future of campus safety across Texas institutions
- 11:45 – 12:45 PM - Lunch
- 12:45 – 1:45 PM - **Sporting Event Safety & Game Day Operations** - Exploring how institutions manage large-scale event safety through coordinated response, crowd management, and real-time communication during major game-day operations
- 2:00 - 3:45 - **Kyle Field Safety & Operations Tour*** 🏟️ - A behind-the-scenes look at how Kyle Field manages game day command, crowd operations, and emergency response coordination at scale
 - *Meet in Hall of Champions