

PROFILE: KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Frank DeAngelis became principal of Columbine High School in the Jefferson County School District in Littleton, Colorado in 1996. Frank was the lead administrator on site on April 20, 1999 when two students entered the high school with weapons; he came in contact with one of the shooters and was able to shepherd students to safety. Frank was looked upon to lead during the immediate aftermath of the violence that occurred in Columbine. Frank will talk about the importance of being prepared to know your building and understanding the importance of relaying information about systems in your building. He retired in June of 2014 after 35 years at Columbine High School. He is presently serving as a consultant for safety and emergency management for the Jeffco School District and continues to talk with audiences about school security. Frank is actively involved in the Frank DeAngelis Columbine High School Academic Foundation, and serves on the board for the Columbine Permanent Memorial.



Kristina Anderson is a survivor of the 2007 Virginia Tech tragedy. As a sophomore in college at the time, Kristina was shot three times inside Norris 211, one of the most critically affected classrooms. Since then, Kristina has started the Koshka Foundation for Safe Schools, a nonprofit dedicated to improving campus safety education by incorporating the perspective of survivors and lessons learned from past experiences, to trainings. Speaking to law enforcement, educators, first responders, and the public, the Koshka Foundation shares the importance of personal preparedness, pre-planning for emergencies, and steps to prevent future violence.