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School Safety Specialists:

As we move toward the 2021-2022 school year, the individual contracts with the 10 Florida Department of Education (FDOE) selected vendors for Alyssa's Law are being finalized. At this moment, we have five contracts that have been fully executed with the FDOE, which include the following vendors:

- 911 Cellular
- ARES
- Centegix
- Motorola
- Raptor

As these contracts begin to be executed, we will upload videos to <u>our website</u> submitted by each vendor to provide an introduction to their product and to assist with your selection process.

Once a contract is fully executed, districts can engage with these vendors to make a selection for their district's schools. After the school district has selected a vendor, they need to complete the District Contractor Selection form, which can be found on <u>our website</u>. If a charter school selects a separate vendor, they need to communicate with their district for the form to be completed on their behalf. Once the form has been completed, the district should send it to the FDOE at <u>Alyssas.Alert@fldoe.org</u> for review. Only after receiving notification from FDOE that the form has been reviewed are districts and charter schools allowed to begin working with vendors to start implementing their system. All Florida public schools, including charters, must implement a mobile panic alert system capable of connecting diverse emergency services technologies to ensure real-time coordination between multiple first responder agencies beginning with the 2021-2022 school year.

The FDOE hosted a webinar on Tuesday, June 1 regarding Alyssa's Alert. If you haven't already, please take the time to watch the recording of the webinar through <u>our website</u> for further information.

We appreciate your patience as we move through this process and will keep you informed as the contracts continue to be executed.

Sincerely,

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