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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 nine contracts that have been fully executed with the FDOE, which include the following vendors:

- 911 Cellular
- AppArmor
- ARES
- AT&T
- Centegix
- Guard911
- Intrado
- 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>.

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. While charter schools have the autonomy to select the vendor that best meets their safety needs, district and charter school safety personnel are encouraged to work collaboratively to ensure for necessary interoperability between the districts, response agencies and 911 public safety answering points (PSAP).

If a charter school selects a separate vendor from the district, they need to communicate that to their district. The district will need to submit the charter's selection to the Office of Safe Schools on behalf of the charter school(s).

Please send completed forms to <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

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The FDOE hosted webinars on April 12 and June 1 regarding Alyssa's Alert implementation. If you haven't already, please take the time to watch the recording of these webinars on <u>our website</u>.

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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