



FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Office of the Dean

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dean Damon Andrew, College of Education

THRU: Associate Dean Amy Guerette, College of Education

FROM: The College of Education Student Leadership Council

DATE: June 26, 2019

SUBJECT: Active Shooter Precautions/Resources in Stone Building Recommendations

It has come to the attention of the Student Leadership Council that concern has been expressed around the automatic locks on classroom doors and the currently implemented resources to utilize as window coverings in the event of an active shooter in the Stone Building.

Council members have noticed that classroom doors lock automatically (and loudly) at random times during classes. Also, in the interior of many COE classroom spaces there are large sheets (pinned on bulletin boards near the doors) that state something to the effect of “do not remove in the event of an active shooter to cover the window”. This is written in marker and appears to be a temporary measure; however, they remain.

The Student Leadership Council understands precautionary measures are necessitated, particularly in our current climate; however, these resources seem to be haphazardly planned and potentially jarring to students in a classroom space. We understand the intention of them is most likely to prompt safety in the event of a horrific emergency, yet it also serves as a constant reminder of a potential threat and can cause concern.

The Student Leadership Council would like to first and foremost bring this concern to the attention of Dean Andrew and the COE administrators. Additionally, the Council would also like to be part of seeking a potential solution.

We would like to have your input on this concern and are willing to discuss further at your convenience. Thank you in advance for your consideration.