

## Sample Press Release for Schools Receiving CIRK Recognition

          (school name)           is being recognized by the Attorney General’s Office and the Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention for preparing proactively to address a critical incident occurrence on campus.

Early last year, the Attorney General’s Office and the Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention – Center for the Prevention of School Violence mailed every school in the state of North Carolina a critical incident response kit. These kits contained a booklet and video about a school with an active shooter on campus. Since the distribution of these tools, hundreds of schools have met the recommendations found in both the video and booklet. In an effort to recognize these schools, the Attorney General’s Office and the Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention have established the Critical Incident Response Kit Recognition Program.

To be recognized,           (school name)           had to meet the following three criteria: assembly of two Critical Incident Response Kits; completion of the School Site Survey form (which provides important information to emergency responders about the school); and viewing of the video “A Critical Incident: What to do in the First Twenty Minutes” by school staff.           (school name)           will receive a certificate to display in the school’s office and a decal signifying the school’s recognition that can be placed on a door near the front entrance of the school. A list of those schools receiving this recognition can be found on the Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention – Center for the Prevention of School Violence’s website [www.cpsv.org](http://www.cpsv.org) and the Attorney General’s website <http://www.jus.state.nc.us>

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