



NEW JERSEY LEGISLATIVE PASSES **ALYSSA'S LAW**

On January 6, 2019, Alyssa's Law was signed into law in New Jersey, which takes additional steps toward protecting students in the event of a life-threatening school emergency.

This law mandates that every school in New Jersey install silent panic alarms that connect directly to local law enforcement. It is important to note that there are several stipulations applied to the compliance of this law, which is highlighted below:

- » The equipment must meet nationally recognized standards
- » The equipment must be installed by persons licensed to engage in the alarm business.

It appears funds have been made available to school districts, using bonds issued under the Educational Facilities Construction and Financing Act, to fund the installation of these security measures.

*If you **have** already installed systems that meet the requirements of this law, reimbursement of costs for installation of your equipment may be available. The panic alarm may be integrated with other communications & security systems.*

*If you **have not** yet installed these systems, as a licensed systems integrator, CM3 can assist you in becoming compliant.*

HOW TO MOVE FORWARD

- » Assess whether your security system is compliant with Alyssa's Law.
- » Identify the security measures needed to become compliant.
- » Contact CM3, as a licensed integrator, to support your district in the design and installation of your system.

While this law addresses two important security measures necessary to protect students and teachers in the event of a school emergency, it is important to also consider how these measures work in conjunction with additional systems in your district.

Each security investment should work together for the common good. CM3 has been proud to support you in your efforts to become a more secure district, and we hope to continue supporting you into the future.

Please let us know if you would like assistance with becoming compliant with Alyssa's Law.