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## ~Active Shooter Training Announcement~

Monday August 2<sup>nd</sup> through Friday August 6<sup>th</sup>, the Wallingford Police Department will be conducting active shooter training at Lyman Hall High School (70 Pond Hill Road, Wallingford). Training will be conducted in 4-hour blocks, commencing at 0800 and 1200 hours each day. The Regional Cheshire-Wallingford Emergency Response Team will conduct their training block from 0800-1600 hours on August 6<sup>th</sup>.

The Wallingford Police Department recognizes that preserving human life, especially our youth, is of the highest importance. The goal of this training is to keep officers familiar with dealing with this type of incident, should they ever need to respond to such a dire situation. The specified training will achieve this goal by providing officers with Wallingford Police Department Active Shooter Response policy reinforcement, tactical drills, and realistic, scenario-based situations.

Officers will utilize specialized equipment throughout different evolutions of this training to include department issued rifles, door breaching equipment, and the recently purchased "Patrol Bat" Tactical Ballistic Shield. The "Patrol Bat" is designed to protect responders from an active shooter. It is composed of armor panels designed to protect officers from being struck by incoming rounds.

Please contact Sergeant Jaques with any questions.