

2026 SEPLA CONFERENCE

June 15-17, 2026 | Mt. Pleasant Comfort Inn & Suites Conference Center

2026 SEPLA SCHEDULE

Monday | 06.15.26

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Off-Site Training

Shepherd High School
321 South Fourth St
Shepherd, MI 48883

POLICE SCENARIO TRAINING

Emphasizing hands-on, interactive and multi scenario-based situations that are designed to simulate real life stress and circumstances encountered in the field. Lead instructor of these simulations Sgt. Kendall Kretschmer of the Livingston County Sheriff's Office along with Livingston Regional SWAT Team.

Lead Instructor

Sgt. Kendall Kretschmer

Livingston County Sheriff's Office

ON-SITE LUNCH | 11:30 AM - 12:15 PM

Please Note: For those traveling in on Monday, check-in at the Comfort inn & Suites Hotel will be available after the training session.

NETWORKING EVENT

Join us for a casual evening of networking, food, beverages, corn hole and cards!

MONDAY EVENING

5:00 - 9:00 PM

Certificate of Completion will be provided to participants that attend scheduled sessions at the close of your last scheduled class.



Scan QR Code to register
for the
2026 SEPLA Conference

Tuesday | 06.16.26

BREAKFAST | 7:00 - 8:00 AM

7:00 - 7:45 AM REGISTRATION

7:45 - 8:30 AM

MORNING BRIEFING

*SEPLA President, Luke Sawyer,
Chief of Shepherd Police Department*

8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

YOU'RE NOT GOING TO BREAK THEM: CONFIDENT SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

This interactive training provides educators with practical strategies for supporting students with special needs in today's classrooms while maintaining clear structure, expectations, and safety. Focuses on what educators need to know and do—without adding unnecessary complexity.

Dr Stephanie Zoltowski

Founder: Spectrum Training Solutions

LUNCH | 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

12:30 - 4:00 PM

STANDARD REUNIFICATION PROTOCOL The Standard Reunification Method (SRM) addresses a critical gap in school safety planning: how to reunite students with parents and guardians following an emergency or crisis. This half-day seminar offers a thorough overview of the SRM, covering its history, the key principles and roles involved in the process, and the role that Incident Command plays in reunification.

The seminar begins with a brief review of the Standard Response Protocol (SRP) to highlight the importance of clear, common language in emergency response. Participants will then explore the different types of events that require a formal reunification, examining their similarities and differences and how the SRM applies to each. The training will conclude with a walkthrough so participants can experience first-hand what the SRM looks like in action. By the end of the seminar, participants will be equipped to apply these concepts to their own campus, assess available physical and personnel resources, develop a reunification plan, and effectively practice and execute coordinated, accountable reunifications.

Jason Kelley

I Love U Guys Foundation

Wednesday | 06.17.26

BREAKFAST | 7:00 - 8:00 AM

7:00 - 7:45 AM REGISTRATION

7:45 - 8:00 AM

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TITLE IX

This session provides a legally focused, practical overview of the School Resource Officer's role in Title IX matters. Designed specifically for law enforcement, this training explains how Title IX investigations intersect with criminal investigations, Michigan law, juvenile interviews, search and seizure, mandatory reporting, and information sharing. The session will address challenges officers face when working with school administrators and Title IX coordinators. Officers will leave with clear guidance on what their role is, what it is not, and how to protect students, cases, and themselves from legal liability.

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9:00 AM – NOON

THE REAL DEAL ABOUT SOCIAL MEDIA

Drawing from thousands of real-world student interactions and investigations, he helps parents, educators, and professionals understand the rapidly changing risks facing today's youth, including social media exploitation, artificial intelligence misuse, emerging drug trends, mental health challenges, dating culture, and high-stakes decision-making. Known for blending humor, straight talk, and practical solutions, Gomez translates complex issues into clear, actionable strategies audiences can immediately apply to protect kids, strengthen families, and build resilient communities.

Officer Dave Gomez

LUNCH | NOON - 1:00 PM

1:00 - 3:00 PM

PERSONAL & PROFESSIONAL BREAKTHROUGHS FOR POLICE OFFICERS

In a chaotic and unpredictable world of plummeting moral standards our nation's police officers are facing stressors that can have predictable and profoundly negative impact upon their lives, careers and families. This seminar will provide a new set of skills designed to assist to maintain a balanced, meaningful and rewarding lifestyle, while maintaining and protecting the nobility found in their servant's spirit.

Kent Williams

Breach Point Consulting

