

# School Avenue & Sarasota High School

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A Public Road through a Public High School Campus



# School Avenue: Sarasota High School

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# School Avenue History

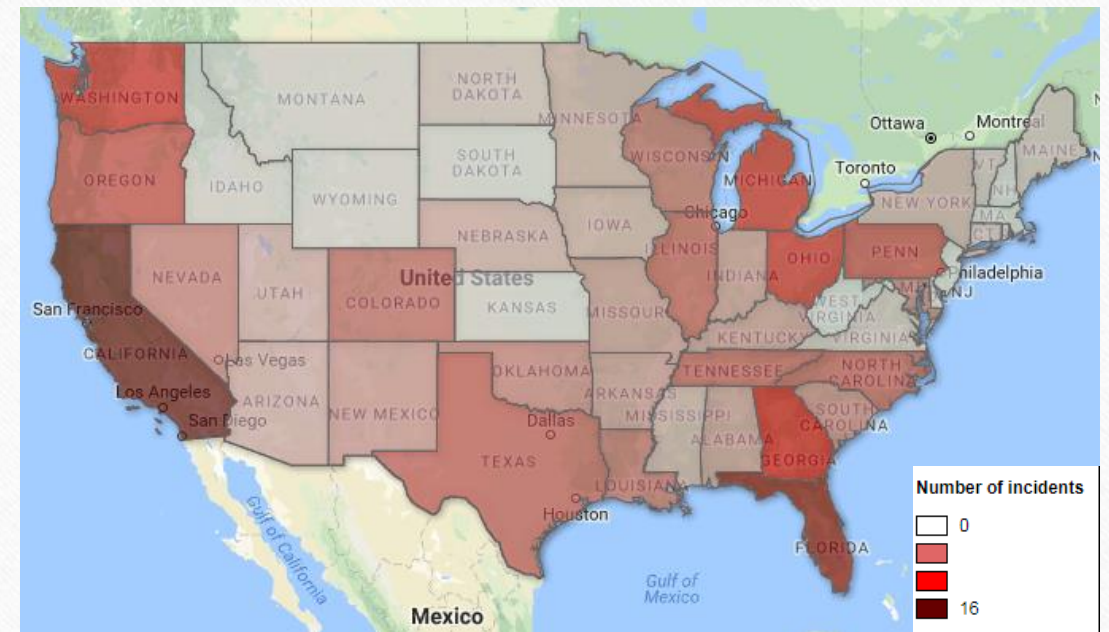
- Prior to 1991: Three campuses
  - Sarasota High, Sarasota Middle, Alta Vista Elementary
- 1991: Two campuses
  - Sarasota High and Alta Vista Elementary
  - Sarasota Middle moved to Ashton Road
- 1993: ILA
  - Study School Avenue changes
- 1997: ILA
  - Close School Avenue to vehicular traffic
  - Only during school day
  - Open pedestrian access





# School Avenue Challenge: Safety & Security

- US K-12 School Shootings since 1990
  - 181 incidents
  - 171 dead, 306 injured
- Deadliest:
  - 1998: Westside Middle, 5 dead/11 injured
  - 1999: Columbine High, 13 dead
  - 2005: Red Lake High, 7 dead
  - 2012: Sandy Hook Elementary, 26 dead



Source: Ballotpedia, December 20, 2017



# School Avenue Challenge: Safety & Security

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- Sarasota County Schools Safe Campus Initiative
  - District-wide Goal:
    - Single Point of Entry
    - Fencing, &
    - Access Control
  - Increased Annual Funding: by 3.5 MM in 17/18
  - Complete: by 2022/23 at ALL Campuses





# School Avenue Challenge: ILA Partnership

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- Update 1997 Agreement
  - Provide for a Single-Point-of-Entry
  - Assess community needs
  - Determine best direction forward
- Process
  - Meet with Alta Vista Neighborhood Assoc.
    - Have met with multiple times
  - Conduct Transportation Study
    - Underway, draft expected February
  - Draft new ILA/Move to Vacate School Avenue





# School Avenue Challenge: Moving Forward

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- Complete Transportation Study
- Hold Joint Board Meeting
- Provide Staff Direction
  - Vacate School Avenue

