

# Gary Rudick



**Gary Rudick** is a 35-year veteran of Oklahoma law enforcement. He retired from the Tulsa Police Department after 25 years to take a position as chief of police for the city of Durant, Oklahoma. Under Rudick's leadership the department was recognized for achieving the International Association of Chiefs of Police Civil Rights Award and was a finalist for the Webber-Seavey Policing Award.

In 2008 Chief Rudick created a public school campus police agency for Tulsa Public Schools, the largest school district in Oklahoma with more than 40,000 students and nearly 7,000 employees. The innovations and effectiveness of this department have been duplicated by other school districts across the country. While policing an urban school district with nearly 90% of the students on free and reduced lunches, Rudick began implementing strategies from *A Framework for Understanding Poverty* and *Tactical Communication* as a continuing education initiative for Tulsa Public Schools campus police officers.

Rudick currently serves as a field consultant for the Oklahoma School Security Institute, a division of the Oklahoma Office of Homeland Security. Within this role he presents Tactical Communication seminars on how to make school systems safer and more secure. That instruction builds on his integration of aha! Process concepts, especially those from Framework, Bridges Out of Poverty, and Tactical Communication, into his work with Tulsa Public Schools as he works with police officers serving in education environments to build tools for their success.

## Gary Rudick presents

- ♦ Tactical Communication for First Responders: Create Effective Interactions by Understanding Class

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