



Kommersant [reported](#) earlier that prosecutors had also warned the head of Ishim in connection with the incident.

Regional education authorities have said that the school warned students that “strangers” would be attending the health and safety lesson that day. Most students were said to be unfazed by the incident, though at least one student sought medical assistance afterward.

Kommersant reported that cadets played the role of “terrorists” during the Sept. 4 class. Following the simulation, regional education authorities tightened controls to avoid similar incidents in the future.

This is at least the second known hostage-taking simulation dedicated to the September 2004 Beslan school siege that led to the deaths of over 300 adult and child hostages.

In 2018, National Guard troops and Cossacks [staged](#) a hostage-taking and releasing operation in front of applauding parents in the Yekaterinburg region.

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