

# **Safety and Security Committee (SSC) Update**

## **Board of Education Meeting**

May 4, 2022



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# Mission

*Empowering learners,*

*Creating equity,*

*Cultivating community*



# Guided and Governed by Board Policies

- Safety (Board Policy 4:170)
  - Safety and Security
  - School Safety Drill Plan
  - Annual Review
- Targeted School Violence Program (Board Policy 4:190)
  - Threat Assessment Teams

# SSC Membership

- District Administration
- Building Administration
- Certified Staff
- Support Staff
- Police



# Committee (SSC) Work

- Strengthen the consistency of safety and security procedures in each school, and throughout the district
- Research and analyze best practices and methodology in safety and security
- Update Standard Operating Procedures for each event / scenario
- Make informed decisions and implement recommendations
- The committee has met three times:
  - December 10
  - March 8
  - April 19

# Enhancing Relationships with Partners

- New Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) Grayslake Park District
  - Elimination of fees between the two entities
  - Clarification of roles and responsibilities
- Police liaison meetings with Grayslake, Round Lake, and Round Lake Beach



# Enhancing Relationships with Partners

- Attended the Lake County ROE Safety Conference (March 7, 2022)
  - Identifying & Intercepting School Shooters through LEAKAGE
  - Identifying School Safety Using a Threat Assessment Model
    - Reporting Mechanism - Safe2Help
  - Human Trafficking (FBI)
  - From the Police Department to the School



Defining the Role of School Resource Officers (SROs)

# Committee Recommendations / Updates

- District-Wide Key Card System (implemented)
  - Individual card access for staff to securely enter buildings
- District-Wide Radio Systems (coming soon - Summer 2022)
  - Implementation of a modern radio system of new handsets





# Committee Recommendations / Updates

- Upgraded School Security Camera System (Summer 2022)
  - Implementation of a modern camera system, GMS the initial priority building
- Dean Positions (3 FTE) added at FS, PC, and GMS to start next school year



# Committee Recommendations / Updates

- Updating Visitor Management System (Summer 2022)
  - Updating our system that tracks everyone who enters our buildings (eg. volunteers)
- Crisis Procedures / Standard Operating Procedures
  - Being updated building by building



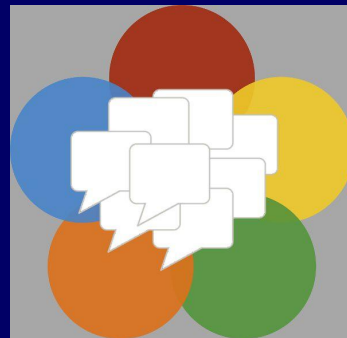
# **Student Safety and Threat Assessment Procedure** (revised 4.16.22)

## **Public Act 101-0455** (August 2019)

- Purpose is to require school boards to adopt threat assessment procedures to address targeted school violence prevention and review annually
- Process- Identified/reported threat to self or others
- Plan includes: threat assessment, self-harm/suicide assessment, and safety plan templates

# Ongoing Conversations

- Continuation of the SRO discussion
  - Police departments present at the March 8th, 2022 meeting supported the introduction of SRO position. 105 ILCS 5/10-20.68 [www.nasro.org/faq/](http://www.nasro.org/faq/)
- Situational Awareness Training options identified and analyzed
  - Traditional Lockdown (Hide in corner)
  - Run, Hide, Fight
  - ALICE
  - I Love U Guys



# Situational Awareness Training

- Situational awareness: being fully cognizant of your surroundings, the people in it, and your situation. It is vital factor for preventing and responding to an immediate threat to the school.
- A critical resource for improving school safety within your district, is a research-supported, proactive, option-based active shooter response training program that empowers individuals of all ages and abilities to participate in their own survival in the face of violence.

# Other Considerations

- 105 ILCS 128/20(5)
  - Schools must provide alternative safety education and instruction related to an active threat or active shooter event to students who do not participate in a walk-through lockdown drill to provide them with essential information, training, and instruction through less sensorial safety training methods



# Next Steps for the Safety Security Committee

- Recommend ALICE to Board of Education on May 18, 2022
- Complete Summer projects (Radios, Cameras and VMS)
- Evaluation on SROs
- Annual Safety/Security meeting (Board Policy 4:170)
- Continue Threat Assessment Team work (Board Policy 4:190)
- District wide individual building assessments and needs for safety and security
  - Assessment tool filters through the equity lens



# Questions, Comments and Feedback

*One District*

*One Direction*

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