

DISTRICT 45

Safety Committee Update

Board of Education

January 21, 2025

Safety Committee Members

- Dr. Brian Graber - Superintendent
- Jeff Eagan - Asst. Superintendent for Finance
- Mike Pinney - Chief Information Officer
- Kevin Carver - Director of Buildings & Grounds
- Diana Brown - Director of Student Services
- Adam Bulfer - Jefferson Principal
- Fred Leinweber - North Principal
- Christine Thiese - Jackson Asst. Principal
- Karen Simko - District Nurse
- Det. Joe Bastian - Villa Park Police / District 45 SRO

Committee Regular Processes

- Regular monthly safety meetings
 - Meetings with First Responders
 - Quarterly countywide ROE sponsored meetings
- Regular communications drills
 - Incident Management Team (IMT) Chat
 - Two-Way Radios (walkie-talkies)
- Professional development and procedures
 - Key personnel trainings
- Review worker compensation claims each month
- Review received questions from buildings

Completed Committee Work

- Reviewed and updated Emergency Operations Plan (EOP)
- Reviewed Cardiac Emergency Response Plan (CERP)
- Existing camera system review and feedback
- Physical safety and security
 - Installed protective film at building entrances
 - Evaluated district fencing options (ongoing)
 - Implement safety vests protocols for daily arrival and dismissal
 - Review parking lots and drives
 - Repaving cycles / curb & concrete repairs
 - Striping and crosswalks review

Current Committee Work

- Researching and testing paging/intercom system replacement options
- Installing hallway door signage throughout the district
- Implementing camera system upgrades
- Investigating alert/notification systems
- Reviewing DuPage County Mental Health Resources
- Reviewing District 45 crisis reporting and resources

Future Committee Work

- Evaluate building check-in / check-out process & procedures
- Review possible countywide reunification sites
- Incorporate District 45 Strategic Plan Goal (Safety & Security)
- Enhance D45.org Safety Public facing webpage
- Evaluate policies and procedures for Urgent Alerts in ParentSquare

School Resource Officer (SRO)

- Member of Safety Committee
- Included in district communication tools
- High visibility in hallways during passing periods and in lunchrooms
- Supports administration in dealing with fights or physical altercations
- Speaks with students and parents after these types of incidents
- Assists teams with home visits and investigations
- Active member of our Threat Assessment Team
- Attends D45 after school activities
 - *Attends Willowbrook High School home football games*
- Provides enhanced communications with first responders
- Designated parking spot at Middle Schools

Questions?

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