

2024-2025 School Year Recap

This school year every single one of the 795 exterior doors were on 23 campuses were checked through the Intruder Detection Audit process, along with thousands and thousands of interior doors checked. Abilene ISD, it's campus administration and support staff did a stellar job implementing our five commitments to campus safety which were collaboratively developed in the summer of 2024.

- Push Pull
- Weekly of Bi-monthly safety reports to the campus
- Peer to Peer sharing of best practices
- Safety Culture building on campus through student led activities
- All staff safety awareness campaign

The 2024-2025 Intruder Detection Audit results represent a 100% passing rate for weekly door sweep logs, 100% passing rate for Intruder Detection and a 99.87% passing rate for exterior door checks. Each of these statistics represent the results of a very successful, district-wide commitment to the safety of our students and staff.

Public Meeting Requirement

Intruder Detection Auditors employed by our Region 14 Education Service Center recently conducted Intruder Detection Audits at one or more district campuses in compliance with the Texas Education Code 37.1083. The audit process tests whether our campuses are accessible to an unauthorized individual. The audit seeks to help districts identify how campuses can improve safety for students and staff by ensuring exterior doors remain locked. Campus records documenting weekly exterior door sweeps are also reviewed as part of the Intruder Detection Audit process. The audits and any related findings provide the district an opportunity to create a safer learning environment for both students and staff.

The Intruder Detection Audits conducted in May resulted in a finding at a campus and are being properly addressed through the execution of a corrective action plan. Specific details regarding the Intruder Detection Audit findings will be presented to the district's next School Safety & Security Committee meeting. We have worked with the campus Administration and their School Safety & Security Committees to ensure all staff receive the required relevant training and district staff continue securing doors for the protection of everyone at our campuses.

It is reasonable to expect that parents and community members may be interested in reviewing details of the Intruder Detection Audit findings. However, the Texas Education Agency along with a recent Attorney General Opinion direct school districts to refrain from sharing specific audit findings beyond the School Safety & Security Committee and the Board during Closed Session as doing so could lead to compromising important campus security safeguards.