CINCINNATI PUBLIC SCHOOLS

HEALTH AND SAFETY UPDATE

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Health and Safety Goal

We will commit to putting the safety, physical, social, and emotional health of our students, staff, and partners at the forefront of everything we do.
Strategic Measure 2.A: Decrease the number of critical safety events.

Critical Response Matrix Process Maps

- Missing child protocol
- Weapon in school
- Injured employee
CPS SAFETY AND SECURITY SERVICES

Two Administrators
- Supervisor of Security
- Investigator and Training Coordinator

Five Response Teams
- On-Call to Respond to School and Site Emergencies
- Investigate Reports of Dangerous Situations
- Conduct Random Searches per Board Policy
- Coordinate Inspections of Safety Systems and AEDs

169 School-Based Security Assistants
SCHOOL SAFETY EQUIPMENT

Visitor Lobby Guard Badge System

More than 5,000 School Security Cameras

Walk-Through Metal Detectors at High Schools

Metal-Detecting Wands at Primary Schools
SCHOOL SAFETY EQUIPMENT

Safe Entry System: Allows Access for First Responders

MARCS In-School Emergency Radios
- Provide Countywide Police Communication

Lockdown and Weather Alert Buttons

More than 1,600 Portable Security Radios
- Local and Districtwide Communication

NOAA Weather Radios
SCHOOL SAFETY PROTOCOLS

School Safety and Crisis Plans

School Safety Drills
- Six Fire Drills Required Per School Year
- Three Safety/Lockdown Drills Required Per School Year
- One Tornado Drill

ALiCE: Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate
- Required by HB 178
SCHOOL SAFETY PROTOCOLS

Secure Entry System

➢ Visitors Must Use Buzzer to Enter Building via Secured Office

➢ Visitors Sign-In via Lobby Guard System

➢ Lobby Guard Performs Background Check to Prevent Unauthorized Personnel from Entering School

➢ Visitors Granted Access to Building Must Wear ID at All Times and Return ID Before Departing
SCHOOL SAFETY PROTOCOLS

Background Checks Prior to Employment

FBI and BCII Background Checks on

- All Employees
- All Unsupervised Volunteers
- All Unsupervised Contractors
- All Unsupervised Consultants (i.e. Resource Coordinators)
- All Student Teachers

Distinguishable ID Badges

- Employees
- Consultants and Contractors
- Volunteers
- Student Teachers
SCHOOL SAFETY PROTOCOLS

CPS REQUIRED SAFETY TRAINING

Bullying Recognition  Child Abuse
Dating Violence     Student Experiencing Homelessness
Youth Suicide       Bloodbourne Pathogen
A.L.i.C.E.          Records Confidentiality under FERPA
Cybersecurity       General Ethics

STOP THE BLEED TRAINING
WITH CINCINNATI FIRE

Student Program at Western Hills High School
EMERGENCY SCHOOL RELOCATION SITE

Jacobs Center Maintained for Any Temporary Emergency Needs:

- Over 20 classroom/office settings
- Telephones
- Network/Wireless Internet
- Camera System
- Secure Entry
- Lobby Guard
- Portable Radios
CONTINUED SECURITY AND SAFETY MEASURES FOR 2019-2020

- School Safety Task Force
- Department of Homeland Security Supporting CPS School-by-School Threat Assessments
- Crisis Prevention Intervention Training for all Security Staff
- Detex Alarms Added to Exterior Doors Where Needed
- School-by-School Security Audits with Principals
- Schoology Security Group
UPDATED SECURITY AND SAFETY MEASURES FOR 2019-2020

- 13 Additional Security Assistants
- Required Districtwide Security Uniforms
- Additional Crossing Guards at All Primary Schools and Some High Schools
Cincinnati Public Schools Meets 100% of American School Board Journal’s Safety Checkpoints.

Cincinnati Public Schools Recognized by the Council of Great City Schools as a Leader in School Security.