

# Lawrence Public School Safety:



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LPS strive to  
create a safe  
and caring  
environment!

## Agenda:

- Safety Officer roles and responsibilities
  - School Assignments
  - Training
- School Cameras
- Crisis Plan
- School Drills
- School Resource Officers
  - Lancer
- Crossing Guards



# Safety Officer Role

- Responsibilities:
- Question and identifies all person attempting to enter school building.
- Determine if visitors have lawful purpose on property.
- Notifies proper authorities of any incidents occurring while on duty.
- Prepares reports on any incident encountered while on duty.
- Provides security for assigned property and its occupants.
- Upholds all LPS codes of conduct.



# School Safety Officers

# School Cameras

# Crisis Plans

Currently:

- LPS has 31 Safety Officers
- 24 out of 26 schools have assigned Safety Officers.
- We are working to fill vacancies.
- 99% of our schools in the district have cameras installed in strategic locations to monitor outdoor and indoor areas; overall, 500 cameras have been installed.
- All principals have completed their school's Crisis Plans and have shared plan with the district and staff.
- A Crisis Plan includes crisis teams and clear steps the school will take to provide support for their students and staff during a crisis.

# Crisis Plans Information

A School Crisis Plan contains the following info:

- Crisis Team Members
- Crisis Team Alternates
- Information on enrollment/number of staff
- List of medical support and emergency agencies
- Location of defibrillators (AED)
- Staff trained in CPR/AED
- Administration responsibilities
- Staff responsibilities
- Counselor responsibilities
- Nurse responsibilities
- Evacuation plan: external location/alternate location
- Communication to media and parents
- Type of crisis: evacuation, shelter-in-place, lockdown, and student release or family reunification.



# School Drills...

## Safety Drills Protocols:

- An essential task of a school's Crisis Plans is scheduling and conducting safety drills.
- Practice drills have been started at all schools. Before each drill, Principals **MUST** inform staff, students and families at least one day in advance.
- Families should always be notified after a completed safety drill.
- As part of the school drill debriefing and follow-up process, the school crisis team completes a brief Safety Drill Completion Form.

# School Resource Officer (SRO)

- 5 School Resource Officers
- Help enhance school safety
- Fostering positive relationships among the law enforcement, educators, and youth.
- Helping to promote a positive school climate.



# Lancer

- 2 year old Bloodhound
- Certified Comfort Dog – Emotional Support
- Over 500 hours of comfort training
- 100 hours training with the SRO
- On request, Lancer will visit schools





# Crossing Guards

- Currently, we have 7 crossing guards in the district.
- We are working to fill vacancies.

