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Reaching beyond the boundaries
to build a community of learners.

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Dear Parents and Community Members,

We are aware that because of recent events across the country, your child(ren)'s safety at school may be more of a concern for you. We thought it might be helpful to let you know some of the measures we take to keep our students safe. The safety and well-being of our students is our top priority: nothing is more important.

Caring and Professional Staff

Knowing the adults at school care about them is one of the biggest contributors to making students feel safe. Because of good relationships between students and staff, students are more comfortable letting adults know when they hear about a safety concern. We investigate any information staff receives, involving law enforcement when needed.

We understand our students are having different reactions to recent events taking place around our country. Students have access to speak with school site personnel (including counselors, psychologists, mental health or social workers, administrators and teachers) to express concerns of their own well-being or those of others. Below are possible resources you may find useful in discussions you have with your child(ren).

Qualified Staff

TUSD is fortunate to have counselors, school psychologists, social workers, and mental health coordinators that are trained in multiple methods to best support students and identify potentially dangerous situations. They assist students in helping them resolve challenges, in a positive way.

Regular, Coordinated Emergency Drills

Each site practices regular fire, evacuation, earthquake, active shooter/lockdown, and active shooter/lockout drills. These drills allow us to continually improve on the procedures so in the actual event of an emergency, students and staff are better prepared.

Threat Assessment

When the District is made aware of any threat of violence, it is thoroughly investigated by staff, and if appropriate, reported to local law enforcement. We cooperate with local law enforcement in their investigations and work tirelessly to ensure the safety of all students, employees and visitors.

Cameras

We have nearly 200 cameras on our school campuses and district office. These cameras aid in our investigations into inappropriate and/or criminal activities on our campuses.

School Resource Officer (SRO) program

We are fortunate to partner with the Fairfield and Vacaville Police Departments to provide SRO services. We also collaborate with both police departments and Travis AFB Security Forces to handle safety issues, create coordinated emergency plans, and train our staff. All three agencies are very responsive to our needs and prioritize school safety.

School Site Visitors

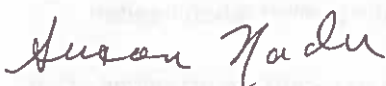
Per Board Policy BP/AR 1250 Visitors/Outsiders, all visitors to school campuses are required to register in the school office. Compliance with this policy is required by all visitors and we appreciate your cooperation and understanding.

School Safety Plans

Each school has drafted a comprehensive school safety plan that helps schools identify elements and resources that are important in improving school climate and safety.

We work every day to ensure the safety of all. We also know we need your assistance. We have embraced the “See something, say something” philosophy. Please keep your eyes and ears open. Report any unsafe or suspicious behavior to your child’s principal, the Superintendent or call 9-1-1. It is only in working together that we will make our world a safer place for all of us.

Sincerely,



Principal



Superintendent

Talking to Children about Violence, National Association of School Psychologists

<https://www.nasponline.org/resources-and-publications/resources/school-safety-and-crisis/talking-to-children-about-violence-tips-for-parents-and-teachers>

Talking with and Helping Children and Youth Cope After a Disaster or Traumatic Event, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

https://rems.ed.gov/docs/SAMHSA_TipsTalkingChildrenYouthTraumaticEvents.pdf