



Sun Prairie Area School District

Futures depend on us...every child, every day.

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Dear Sun Prairie Families,

The safety and security of our students, staff, and visitors is always the number one priority for the Sun Prairie Area School District. We work to continually improve our processes. When emergencies occur, we want you to know that we are doing our very best to keep everyone in our district safe.

Strong, positive, trusting relationships are at the heart of creating a safe, welcoming school environment. The relationships we develop with students are successful because we extend our efforts beyond our school doors into the community with our families. We work with all of our learners to help them recognize the talent and value they bring to our district. We help them to value their gifts and contributions, as well as those that their classmates and teachers offer. We offer relevant and engaging opportunities inside and outside of classrooms to help students to develop their interests, build their skills, and maximize their talents.

We are extremely proud of our successful work to infuse classes with social and emotional supports. Our Student Services team has been recognized for their innovative and responsive service to students and their families. Our entire team of School Counselors, Social Workers, Psychologists, Nurses, and Health Assistants are important partners with our teachers and assistants. When there are challenging, sometimes tragic events in our community, parents/guardians look to our district for advice on how to speak with their children. We are providing a variety of links to resources, including the [National Association of School Psychologists](#), on our [website](#) to help community members. The resources available through this organization, along with others on the website are excellent.

We continue to increase, improve, and expand training and practice for staff to be well prepared for a wide variety of emergency situations, and to support a safe and secure environment. We take great pride in the powerful partnerships we have created with our community emergency responders including police, fire, emergency management services, public utilities, and the Sheriff's Department. Additionally, we are working closely with the Dane County and Wisconsin Departments of Emergency Management. These partnerships are essential to the safety and security of our schools and help to strengthen our entire community.

Our efforts within the district, combined with the collaborative work between the district and community help us to be "Sun Prairie Strong!" We are proud of our work and will always keep the safety and security of our students, staff, and visitors as our highest priority.

Please visit the other resources on our [Safety and Security website](#) to stay abreast of our activities.
Thank you!

Brad Saron, Superintendent