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## **Carroll ISD Administrator Wins School Safety Award**

Carroll ISD's Executive Director of Policy & Student Services, Dr. Tamy Smalskas, was awarded the Texas School Safety Center's Staff Development and Training Award for her excellence in innovative staff development and safety training. The award is part of the center's School Safety Spotlight Program.

Dr. Smalskas arrived at the District in May of 2022 with a stellar background in school safety and security. When her first week at CISD coincided with the Uvalde tragedy, she hit the ground running to direct the utmost safety and security measures for all Dragons. Dr. Smalskas worked diligently to innovate, streamline and modernize procedures for the 2022-2023 school year.

She is recognized by the Texas School Safety Center for delivering an intricate professional training and development series including: injury and incident reporting; David's Law anonymous reporting; FFI and FFH Local Board Policies covering freedom from bullying, harassment, discrimination and retaliation training; effective documentation training; Standard Response Protocols training; Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events (CRASE) training; and access control training.

Dr. Smalskas has also led the District's training and protocols that have been helpful in the CISD Policy Review Committee's updating of the Student Code of Conduct, which will be presented to the public during the December 5, 2022, Carroll ISD Board Workshop meeting. Her preparation and attention to detail are second to none, as she has created toolkits for campus administrators that strengthen training for teachers, staff and students.

"It is a great honor to be involved with a tremendous team that prioritizes the physical safety and security of all Dragons in Carroll ISD on a daily basis," said Dr. Smalskas. "I look forward each day to leading the work that creates robust systems, structures and procedures that assist our campus administrators in completing thorough investigations regarding bullying, harassment and discrimination. Additionally, we have enhanced physical safety aspects of our buildings from daily door audits, monitored drills and anonymous reporting. One of the most important aspects of why I love working in Carroll ISD is the strong partnership with the City of Southlake and our School Resource Officer (SRO) program."

For more information on the Texas School Safety Spotlight Program, please visit <https://txssc.txstate.edu/tools/ss-spotlight/recipients-23>.

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