

# Mountain Lakes School District

Superintendent/Assist. Superintendent Update  
Monday, Jan. 23, 2023





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## Law Day Symposium

- On Friday, Jan. 20, Mr. Ferreira, Mrs. Ciresi, Sergeant Benitez, and I participated in the 2023 Law Day Symposium
  - Also in attendance were representatives from every other Morris County school district joined by member(s) of their local police department, Sheriff Gannon, members of the Morris County Prosecutor's Office and Gang Unit, and the Executive County Superintendent, Dr. Nancy Gartenberg.
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# Law Day Symposium

- Highlights included:
    - Yearly review and collection of the **Memorandum of Agreement between Education and Law Enforcement Officials**
    - School safety and security
    - Threat assessments and behavioral threat assessment management
    - Gang awareness training
    - Recently adopted legislation
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# School Safety and Security

- Collaborative Response Graphics (CRGs)
    - Required for all schools in NJ
    - Visual communication and collaboration tool
    - Useable under stress to coordinate emergency response both outside and inside a building
    - Enhance response time of first responders
    - Improve command and control during an incident
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## Threat Assessment Teams

- Governor Phil Murphy recently signed **A4075/3229** into law, requiring the BOE in each school district in the state to develop and adopt a policy for the establishment of a threat assessment team at each school
  - This law will take effect immediately for the 2023-2024 school year.
  - Dr. Don - Safety and Security Liaison
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# Purpose of Threat Assessment Teams

- To provide educators with assistance in identifying students of concern
  - Assess student risk for engaging in violence or other harmful activities
  - Delivering intervention strategies to manage the risk of harm for students who pose a potential safety risk
  - Prevent targeted violence in our schools
  - Ensure a safe and secure school environment that enhances the learning experience for all
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## Membership on Threat Assessment Teams

- To the extent possible, each team will include:
    - School psychologist and school counselor
    - School social worker or other school employee with expertise in student counseling
    - Teaching staff member
    - School principal or other senior school admin.
    - Student Resource Officer
    - School Safety Specialist
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# 2022-23 Superintendent & Assistant Superintendent Coffee Talk Series

- ~~● October 19 @ 9:00 am (MLHS Media Center)~~
- ~~● December 13 @ 12:00 pm (Virtual via Teams)~~
- February 9 @ 7:00 pm (MLHS Media Center)
- April 25 @ 9:00 am (Virtual via Teams)



**Thank  
You!**