

Guardrail 2. Provide conditions that enhance student learning.

Priority Strategy C:

Enhance support around school safety and security.

Description:

VCS is committed to reaching students and staff with the message that violence, harassment and intolerance are unacceptable in the school environment, and involving students, staff, parents and interested community members in learning about violence and how to prevent it. This strategy focuses on encouraging students to take the initiative. Students are essential to maintaining safety in a school, as they'll often see or hear things that no faculty member will have the chance to. They may see and know what faculty members do not and may alert appropriate staff members to potential threats.

Activities:

1. Create a "see something, say something" culture.
2. Assess and monitor district safety practices, create rules and enforce rules through leadership walks by principals.
3. Promote training and information sharing opportunities.

Rationale:

Safety and security on school campuses is everyone's responsibility. By creating a safe space for reporting, students will be able to report safety and security concerns on campuses, which will allow school personnel to mitigate discipline incidents and maintain a safe environment.