School Safety Update

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Current Practice

- Safety drills practiced throughout the year
  - Lockdown, Lock-Out, Shelter in Place, Hold in Place, Evacuation and Relocation, and Bus Evacuation Drills
  - Safety plans annually filed with NYS Troopers & Somers Police
- Additional Security cameras added to schools (2015-17)
- AED Upgraded (2017)
- Anonymous Alert System (2014)
- Building Safety/Security Audits (2013)
- Civilian Response to Active shooter Training (2017)
Current Practice (cont.)

- Entrance cameras added to each school (2015)
- Faculty, Staff, and Volunteer badging system with swipe access (2014)
- Raptor ID System (2015)
- School Resource Officers at each campus (2014)
- SHS Security Vestibule completed (2017)
- Safety Training for all new employees and substitutes (2016)
Security Updates in Progress

- Two Additional Westchester Police School Resources Officers
  - SRO at each school. Each campus will have 9 hours of SRO coverage.

- Voice over IP
  - Phone to each classroom – proposed to be completed by September 2019

- Security Vestibules at PES and SMS
  - Project to begin construction in fall 2018 (anticipated NY State approval in summer 2018)

- Developmentally appropriate safety education in schools for our children with our new SROs

- Partnering with Sandy Hook Promise and their initiatives to better ensure safe schools
Moving Forward

- External School Security Consultants – Altaris
  - Completing school-level and district-level safety assessment

- School Safety Task Force: Ensure all students are physically safe in our schools.

- Membership
  - District administration
  - Law Enforcement
  - Members from each school safety team
  - Parent/Community members (security background desired)
  - High school student representatives
Moving Forward (cont.)

- Security Task Force Meeting and Agenda Topics
  - July: Review current reality and recent security assessment
  - August: Review research on most effective safety measures and identify considerations to present to the BoE in September
  - September: Make final adjustments to considerations
  - September 18th – Present findings to the BoE at the monthly public meeting