

# Sayville Public Schools



## **SECURITY**

# School Safety



**SCHOOL SAFETY IS THE JOB OF  
THE ENTIRE SCHOOL COMMUNITY**



# An Integrated Security System



- In 2016, Voice Over IP (VOIP) phone system was installed throughout the District:

## **Benefits and Capabilities**

- Unified phone mail, voice mail on phones, as well as through e-mail;
- District maintains its own moves and changes.

# An Integrated Security System: VOIP



- Enhances communication throughout each building by integrating with the existing PA System:
  - Currently we have the availability at Sunrise Drive and the High School. We are looking to expand this option to all other facilities, plus our existing Bond issue provides for upgrades to our PA Systems, security alarm systems, fire alarm systems;
  - Capability of logging all incoming and outgoing phone calls;
  - Speed dial capability in each classroom (now using Main Office and Security) up to three buttons.

# District-Wide Security Systems



## VIDEO CAMERAS

- All District instructional and support buildings have video surveillance capabilities around the perimeters of each building;
- In addition, there are video cameras located strategically in the foyer areas at main entrances and egresses;

# District-Wide Security Systems



## VIDEO CAMERAS

- During the school day, cameras are monitored by security staff within each building;
- All cameras can be viewed on one screen;
- All cameras have the ability to record and are motion-activated. These cameras provide a 24-hour video surveillance;
- Can be monitored & viewed from remote location(s).

# An Integrated Security System



## Door-Ajar System

The ability to see an alarm on the security monitor screen if any outside perimeter door is “chocked” open or left open during the day.

# An Integrated Security System



## Visitor Management System

- Visitors must sign in and must produce their driver's license or a form of I.D.;
- Visitors are given a temporary I.D. Badge;
- Ability to flag & identify specific individuals – i.e., non-custodial parent, etc...

## Access Control System

- Employees gain access to a building by swiping their I.D. cards;
- Building security has the ability to buzz visitors in, as well as to speak to them through an intercom system;
- All buildings have a security vestibule that provides a barrier between exterior doors and access to the building through vestibule doors.



# Security Staff



- The District employs 25 security guards;
- Most Security guards are retired law enforcement personnel (with the exception of 1 at HS & 3 at Admin);
- The District employs a full-time Security Supervisor with 34 years of law enforcement experience;
- Each building has security guards assigned to them during school hours;
- Security guards provide additional supervision during many building events before and/or after school;

# Security Staff



- Security also provides supervision during many athletic events; either home games or away games;
- The District has a two-way communication system in place, whereas each building has a separate frequency for their two-way radios, and the High School Base Command Center is able to monitor all communications;
- Security patrol is provided over the weekend;

# Security Staff



- The District has appropriate night lighting around each building;
- The District Security Supervisor coordinates and annually updates District and Buildings Safety Plans;
- All Safety Plans get submitted to NYS;
- The ‘District Safety Plan’ is posted on the website for community review;
- ‘Building Safety Plans’ are very detailed and specific to each building with listing of specific personnel, as well as building floor plans. These Building Safety Plans are confidential, and are not published in accordance with current Regulations;

# Security Staff



- Each building has a designated Crisis Safety Team that consists of all stakeholders within the building;
- Building security staff are part of the Crisis Safety Teams;
- The common thread in all Safety Plans, whether District or Building, is that **safety is everyone's responsibility**;
- Security Supervisor presents the School Safety Plan at Superintendent's Conference Day in September;
- Building Crisis Safety Teams are tasked with reviewing, testing, and updating all Emergency Response Plans;
- It is mandated that each school building have at least 12 drills per year – 4 Lockdowns and 8 Fire & Evacuation;

# Security Staff



- Security guards throughout the District interact with the students and staff within their specific assigned buildings;
- The Security staff have become an integral part of student management and supervision;
- The District promotes a “**see something, say something**” protocol with all staff, students and the community.

# Health & Safety Committee



- As per Board of Education Policy, the District has a District-wide Health & Safety Committee that is chaired by the Assistant Superintendent for Business;
- Each building has representation on the Committee;
- The Committee member represents all stakeholders within their building (i.e., teachers, custodial, clerical, nurses, SRP's, etc.);
- The Committee meets approximately four times per year and discusses safety matters that are respective to each of the buildings;
- All corrective action items are resolved in a timely matter;
- The Safety Committee is also responsible for reviewing new construction to ensure that it is implemented in a safe manner without interruption to the school day.

# Expanding the Access Control System



## SMART BOND

- The District will be receiving Smart Bond Funding from NYS in the amount of \$2,382,921. This project is currently up at SED awaiting approval;
- These monies will be used to update the District-Wide technology infrastructure and Interior Door Access Control;
- Interior classroom doors will be equipped with ID Card swipe technology;
- This is an additional investment in security of \$1,477,411.

# How Has the Security Program Grown?



## **In the 2001-02 school year**

- The High School was the only District building with security;
- There were several part-time staff members and we spent less than \$100,000 on our security staff.

## **In the 2017-18 school year**

- Sayville has security staff in **All** instructional facilities (including Admin);
- We employ 24 part-time guards and one full-time security supervisor;
- Our projected security budget, for only staffing, is approximately \$500,000;
- In addition, the District has invested several million dollars on security infrastructure upgrades and technology improvements.