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Safety & Security Intruder Detection Audit Findings

Fort Worth ISD Board Meeting
Tuesday, February 14, 2023
5:30 p.m.



Intruder Detection Audits

- Audits are conducted as part of school safety directives for all school systems following the tragedy in Uvalde, seeks to help districts identify how campuses can improve safety for students, such as ensuring exterior doors are locked.
- Intruder audits test operability of safety equipment and the ability to prevent and detect intruders.
- The support from the state in conducting the Intruder Detection Audits is just one of the many actions we are taking to ensure our schools are safe.

What are auditors looking for?

Phase I – Intruder Detection

- Is an intruder able to gain access to the building?
- Does the intruder get stopped by a staff member?
- Does a staff member escort the intruder to the main office?
- In the main office, are visitors asked to present ID and checked through the Raptor system?
- Are visitors provided a visitor identification badge?

Phase II – Exterior Doors

- Are exterior doors locked, propped open, or broken?

Phase III - Classrooms

- Classroom door locking audit – not applicable in FWISD

Phase IV - Weekly Door Sweeps

- Are records of weekly door sweeps being document?



Intruder Detection Audit Findings

LAST REPORT NOVEMBER 2022



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As of November 7, 2022, Intruder Detection Audit reports were received for **23** campuses and **19** reports had no corrective actions.

Total Number of Audit Reports

23

Audit Reports with No Corrective Actions 19



All findings have been corrected at the **4** campuses that required corrective actions.

Corrective Action Requirements



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1. Convene a meeting of the District Safety & Security Advisory Committee.
2. Create a Corrective Action Staff Training Plan for all staff at schools with identified findings.
3. Implement a plan of action to address malfunctioning equipment.
4. Discuss audit results with the Safety & Security Advisory Committee and document the discussion took place in the committee meeting minutes.



Corrective Action Staff Training Plan



Phase I – Intruder Detection

- Look for District ID or visitor badges.
- If no badge, escort the person to the main office.
- Office staff will ask visitors to present ID and run through the Raptor system.
- Provided all visitors with a visitor badge.

Phase II – Exterior Doors

- Regularly check exterior doors for locking issues, doors propped open, or broken doors.
- Explain how to report problems with doors (submit work orders).

Phase III - Classrooms

- Classroom door locking audit (**Not applicable in FWISD**).

Phase IV - Weekly Door Sweeps

- Explain the recording of weekly door sweeps and the location of the documentation binder.



Intruder Detection Audit Findings



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CURRENT REPORT FEBRUARY 2023

As of February 10, 2023, Intruder Detection Audit reports were received for **34** campuses and **29** reports had no corrective actions.

Total Number of Audit Reports

34

Audit Reports with No Corrective Actions

29

Specific details of the Intruder Detection Audit will be discussed in Executive Session to avoid compromising important campus security information

Corrective Actions Response



The following steps have been taken to address findings for the **5** campuses that had corrective actions:

- ✓ A meeting of the District Safety & Security Advisory Committee was convened on February 2, 2023. Audit results were discussed at the meeting and documented in the meeting minutes.
- ✓ A training plan for staff at the **5** campuses has been created and staff will receive training this month (February).
- ✓ Work orders for exterior doors are prioritized and expedited quickly.

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COMBINED REPORT ALL AUDITS

Total Number of Audit Reports

57

Audit Reports with No Corrective Actions

48

- ✓ Over a third of Fort Worth ISD campuses have been audited with **no findings** for most campuses, despite the high frequency of audits.
- ✓ For findings related to door functionality, the issues had already been identified by District staff and work orders had been placed for the issues prior to the finding.



School Safety: A SHARED Responsibility In Fort Worth ISD

Avoiding Dangerous Habits

We must remain vigilant in avoiding dangerous habits or customs that could potentially create unsafe conditions such as:

- propping doors open
- utilizing security staff for non-security tasks
- delays in reporting safety equipment problems
- failure to complete safety drills



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The Safety and Security (S&S) Department is responsible for the overall safety of students, staff and visitors throughout the District and oversees all facets of security. S&S encompasses many forms of security – law enforcement, security services, physical and technological security, and emergency management.

Security Personnel

Boots on the ground staff in and around our schools and facilities include:

- School Resource Officers (SRO) – enforce the laws of the cities of our schools’ locales (Fort Worth, Benbrook and Forest Hill)
- Part-time peace officers – provides law enforcement services during sporting and special events
- Area Advisors -direct liaisons for school administrators and campus monitors assigned in their pyramids
- Campus Monitors – supervises students in the cafeteria, hallways, restrooms, school grounds, parking lots, etc.
- Safety Officers – monitors and responds to safety issues related to bus transportation and bus stops
- 24/7 Security Desk Staff – answers all calls for emergency assistance and provides around the clock monitoring of surveillance cameras

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