

MUSD SCHOOL SAFETY

MEASURES & PROTOCOLS



Facility and Technology Measures

- **Locked Doors and Secure Perimeters:** All external doors remain locked during school hours to ensure no unauthorized access.
- **Video Cameras:** Security cameras monitor key areas, including entrances and hallways, with footage reviewed regularly.
- **Restricted Entry Points:** All visitors must enter through designated front entrances, using electronic access systems and ID checks.

Emergency Preparedness

- **Lockdown Drills:** Schools conduct regular lockdown drills to ensure students and staff know what to do during emergency situations.
 - Frequency: Conducted quarterly in collaboration with local law enforcement.
 - Purpose: Practice for scenarios like intruders or external threats.
- **Shelter-in-Place Drills:** Preparedness for environmental hazards, such as severe weather or nearby police activity.
- **Evacuation Drills:** Practice evacuation routes and assembly points for scenarios requiring building evacuation.

Law Enforcement Collaboration

- **MPD Access to Live Video Feeds:** In emergencies, the Maricopa Police Department can access real-time security camera feeds to assist with immediate response and threat assessment.
- **School Resource Officers (SROs):** Dedicated SROs provide daily presence at schools, with specialized training in de-escalation, threat management, and student engagement.
- **Joint Response Protocols:** Schools work closely with MPD for emergency responses, including joint training exercises and response time improvements.

Training & Security Enhancements

- **Staff & Student Training:** Regular safety training for staff and students on emergency protocols, including recognizing threats, reporting suspicious behavior, and following safety procedures.
- **SRO & Security Personnel Training:** School security personnel and SROs undergo advanced training in emergency response, threat de-escalation, and active shooter preparedness.
- **Safety Enhancements:** Ongoing upgrades to security measures include additional surveillance cameras, improved door locking systems, and communication systems that ensure quick, reliable notification in case of emergencies.

Ongoing Improvements

- **Continuous Evaluations:** Safety protocols are continuously reviewed and updated to ensure the highest levels of protection for students and staff.
- **Parent & Community Involvement:** We welcome feedback and participation from parents in improving and maintaining school safety standards.