

# Return on Investment: SCHOOL SAFETY

In 2018, Fayette County residents supported a 5-cent property tax to fund a comprehensive approach to safety based on state and national best practice.

**\$107.2 million** generated by School Safety Tax since 2018

**\$26.8 million**  
**FACILITY UPGRADES**  
*(door alarms, cameras, security systems, visitor screening, secure vestibules, and metal detectors)*

**\$51 million**  
**PERSONNEL PROVIDING DIRECT SERVICES TO STUDENTS**  
*(mental health professionals, police officers, school nurses, and security ambassadors)*

**\$29.4 million**  
**SAFETY SUPPORT**  
*(training, social media monitoring, social emotional learning curriculum, communication modernization, identification badges)*

**2018:**

**2024:**

**0**

  
**District Mental Health Specialists\***

**83**

**35**

  
**Police Officers**

**84**

**28.5**

  
**School Nurses\***


**61**

**29**

  
**Schools Without Secure Vestibules**

**0**

**1:412**

  
**Counselor-to-Student Ratios\***

**1:250**

\*These numbers reflect “full-time equivalents” — a combination of full and part-time staff, not individual employees.