

SAFETY PLAN

SB 187 Compliance Document

School Year: 2023-24

School	Los Paseos Elementary
CDS Code	43 69583 6095392
District	Morgan Hill Unified
Address	121 Avenida Grande
Date of Adoption	9/24/2024

Approved By

Name	Title	Date
Stormie Sutton	Principal	
Mia Pharris	Secretary	
Lisa Maack	Teacher	
	School Site Council Parent Representative	

Senate Bill 187: Comprehensive School Safety Plan Purpose:

The California Education Code ([sections 32280-32288](#)) outlines the requirements of all schools operating any kindergarten and any grades 1 to 12, inclusive, to write and develop a school safety plan relevant to the needs and resources of that particular school.

In 2004, the Legislature and Governor recast and renumbered the Comprehensive School Safety Plan provisions in SB 719 and AB 115. It is the intent of the Legislature in enacting the provisions to support California public schools as they develop their mandated comprehensive safety plans that are the result of a systematic planning process, that include strategies aimed at the prevention of, and education about, potential incidents involving crime and violence on school campuses and in the Amplify after school program.

The historical requirement of the Comprehensive School Safety Plan was presented in Senate Bill 187, which was approved by the Governor and chaptered in 1997. This legislation contained a sunset clause that stated that this legislation would remain in effect only until January 1, 2000. Senate Bill 334 was approved and chaptered in 1999 and perpetuated this legislation under the requirement of the initial legislation.

Comprehensive School Safety Plans are required under SB 719 & AB 115 and contains the following elements:

- Assessment of school crime committed on school campuses and at school-related functions
- Child abuse reporting procedures
- Disaster procedures
- Suspension and expulsion policies
- Procedures to notify teachers of dangerous pupils
- Discrimination and harassment policies
- School-wide dress code policies
- Procedures for safe ingress and egress
- Policies enacted to maintain a safe and orderly environment
- Rules and procedures on school discipline
- Hate crime reporting procedures

The Comprehensive School Safety Plan will be reviewed and updated by March 1st every year. By July of each year, the school will report on the status of its school safety plan, including a description of its key elements, in the annual School Accountability Report Card (SARC).

A hard copy of the Comprehensive School Safety Plan is available for review in the Front Office. Links to school SARC and Safety Plans can be found in the district Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) as well as the School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA). Safety plans are also available on the school website.

MHUSD School Safety Plan Vision

The purpose of the safety plan is to intentionally develop a safe and positive learning environment where all students feel secure and ready to learn. The safety plan communicates norms of behavior to allow all learners and teachers to thrive. It also delineates processes and procedures to efficiently and safely respond to emergent situations that require special routines to be learned.

The MHUSD Student Code of Conduct Handbook

The district wants to ensure that all students are able to learn in a safe and conducive learning environment. The details of many of the policies listed in this plan can be found in the District Student and Parent Rights and Responsibilities Handbook linked here in [English](#) and in [Spanish](#)

The MHUSD Discrimination and Harassment policy

The Governing Board of the Morgan Hill Unified School District is committed to equal opportunity for all individuals in education. Morgan Hill Unified School District programs and activities do not discriminate on the basis of gender, gender identity, age, sex, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, ethnic group identification, marital or parental status, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation or the perception of one or more of such characteristics. The Board shall promote programs which ensure that discriminatory practices are eliminated in all district activities. The policy can be found here: Discrimination and Harassment Policy [BP 5145.3](#) and [AR 5145.3](#).

Assessment of School Safety

The School Administration reviews the Safety Plan with the School Site Council annually. Administration consults with the School Resource Officer, Fire, and other emergency agencies to ensure that current protocols are available and communicated. Schools sites review Office referrals, attendance and suspensions and expulsions. That information can be found here: [Assessments data](#)

Emergency Evacuation Map: [Map Link](#)

Alternative Sites for Off-Site Evacuations: [Link](#)

Strategies and Programs to Provide and Maintain a High Level of Safety ([EC 32281\(a\)1, items A-J](#))

It is a priority of the administration and staff in the Morgan Hill School District that every student who attends our schools will have an environment that is physically safe with a positive school climate. This includes all venues and hours, inside or outside the classroom, coming or going to school, as well as at school-related activities.

Our administration and staff work to provide an orderly, caring, and nondiscriminatory learning environment where all students can feel comfortable and take pride in their school and their achievements. This includes teaching students the values of equality, human dignity, mutual respect, and to employ cooperative learning strategies that foster positive interactions among students from diverse backgrounds. Students shall have opportunities to voice their concerns about school policies and practices and to share responsibility for solving problems that affect their school. Staff shall encourage and reward success, achievement, participation in community projects, and positive student conduct.

Our school district promotes nonviolent conflict resolution techniques to encourage attitudes and behaviors that foster harmonious relations. Staff shall receive training to implement and support conflict resolution (California Education Code Sections [32228 – 3228.6](#), [35160](#), [35160.1](#), [44806](#)).

A) Child Abuse Reporting Procedures ([EC 35294.2 \(a\)\(2\)](#); [PC 11166](#))

All staff members are 'mandated reporters' and are required by law to report to County Child Protective Services when child abuse is suspected. Responsibilities include making an initial phone report followed by a written report within 36 hours. These duties may not be delegated to others. Our Board Policy and Administrative Regulations for Child Abuse Reporting can be found at [BP 5141.1](#) and [AR 5141.1](#)

(B) Disaster Procedures ([EC 35295-35297](#))

Morgan Hill Unified School District will take all necessary measures to keep students, staff, and visitors safe in the event of a disaster. Response incorporates strategies of the Incident Command System, the Standardized Emergency Management System and the National Incident Management System.

- Maps out specific evacuation procedures within the school building disaster plan.
- Provides guidance for emergency response to a variety of potential hazards and incidents, including duck and cover procedures following an earthquake.
- Identifies emergency response training and exercise opportunities for students and staff.

Public Agency Use of School Buildings for Emergency Shelters

Morgan Hill Unified School District coordinates with the Santa Clara County American Red Cross through the local interagency Incident Command Center located at the Morgan Hill Police station. School facilities may be used as mass care and welfare shelters during an emergency.

(C) School Suspension, Expulsion, and Mandatory Expulsion Guidelines

The Morgan Hill Unified School District's Suspension/Due Process Policy is consistent with the California Education Code. Schools have jurisdiction at school, at school activities, or coming or going to school activities and will provide students the opportunity to relate their "side of the story" and have it investigated prior to disciplinary action. Disciplinary policies and procedures can be referenced here: [Board Policy 5144.1](#) and [AR 5144.1](#) or [EC 48900-48927](#)

(D) Procedures to Prepare Employees for Emergency Response and to Notify Teachers of Dangerous Pupils ([EC 49079](#))

The Morgan Hill Unified School District's policies for emergency training and the notification of teachers of dangerous students are consistent with education code and can be referenced here: [BP 4158](#), [BP 4258](#), and [BP 4358](#)

(E) Sexual Harassment Policies ([EC 76033](#))

The Morgan Hill Unified School District's prohibits sexual harassment, policies can be found here: [BP 41119.11](#) and [AR 41119.11](#).

(F) School-Wide Dress Code Relating to Gang-Related Apparel ([EC 35183](#)):

The Governing Board believes that appropriate dress and grooming contribute to a productive learning environment. The Board expects students to give proper attention to personal cleanliness and to wear clothes that are suitable for the school activities in which they participate. Students' clothing must not present or promote a health or safety hazard or a distraction which would interfere with the educational process. References: [Board policy 5132](#), [Student Handbook & Code of Conduct \(English\)](#) & (Spanish).

(G) Procedure for Safe Ingress and Egress of Pupils, Parents and Staff to and from School ([EC 35294.2](#))

Morgan Hill Unified takes pride in our mission to provide a safe environment for all students, parents and school employees. Our school will ensure safe ingress and egress to and from the school for pupils, parents and school employees. Safe ingress and egress will be maintained by periodic reviews of the procedures for ingress and egress. The school will ensure that all passageways to and from school buildings, corridors within school buildings and emergency

exits remain clear of all obstructions to allow the flow of pedestrian and vehicular traffic. The school will also ensure that potential obstructions and hazards are removed from such areas. To achieve this goal, the school works closely with local law enforcement, fire and city agencies to ensure safe access.

A large majority of students arrive and leave school in private vehicles. Students arriving or departing from school must use the designated loading and unloading zone(s). A crosswalk is provided for access to the parking areas.

Ingress and Egress Procedures: Students will enter the school through the left gate closest to the office and the side gates near the MultiPurpose Room and Kindergarten Yard. At dismissal time these same gates will be used for efficient flow of traffic away from campus. The campus is then closed to parents during the instructional day from 7:45am to 2:30pm unless they have a district-issued volunteer badge.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) 2024-2025 Updated Safety Procedures:

- CDPH K-12 Guidance: [LINK](#)
- COVID District Website: [LINK](#)

(H) A Safe and Orderly School Environment Conducive to Learning (EC 35294.2). School goals are set to have continual improvement in school physical and social-emotional safety.

Goal 1				
Component	Element		Opportunity for Improvement	
Positive School Climate	A school-wide behavior and discipline plan has been implemented.		The expectations for students and staff are upheld on a daily basis.	
Objective	Action Step	Resources	Lead Person	Evaluation
All schools will maintain Positive Behavior Practices.	-Continued implementation of Positive Behavior Supports & Restorative Practices -Attend monthly PBIS meetings at the DO with the climate and culture team -Review PBIS Data quarterly	-School Climate & Culture Leadership Team -District Wide PBIS meetings & provided resources	Stormie Sutton, Principal	PBIS Survey
All schools will participate in safety drills.	-Monthly drills -Safety Team Meetings	Teachers, safety plan, evacuation maps, Run, hide, defend training	Stormie Sutton, Principal	Monthly Drill Log

Goal 2				
Component	Element		Opportunity for Improvement	
Safe Physical Environment	A safe school environment		Ensure facility is in safe working order	
Objective	Action Step	Resources	Lead Person	Evaluation
The school site will have procedures to ensure a safe campus.	Emergency Campus Maps, Williams Act, Staff Meetings around safety and incident prevention, safety team	Maintenance/Facilities; Regular check-ins with School Resource Officer (MHPD & SJP), Custodians, Office Staff	Stormie Sutton, Principal	Regular Walk-throughs

	check-ins, incident command system, regular drills			
The school campus will be clean and orderly.	Ongoing teaching of PBIS expectations; schoolwide routines	Custodians, Office Staff, Teachers	Rick Calderon, Custodian	Walk-throughs

(I) School Discipline Rules and Consequence ([EC 35291](#) and [EC 35291.5](#))

School rules exist for the purpose of facilitating a safe learning environment. To review the school's code of conduct please visit: [Code of Conduct](#)

(J) Hate Crime Reporting Procedures and Policies

MHUSD is committed to providing a safe learning environment that protects students from discrimination, harassment, intimidation, bullying, and other behavior motivated by a person's hostility towards another person's real or perceived ethnicity, national origin, immigrant status, sex, gender, sexual orientation, religious belief, age, disability, or any other physical or cultural characteristics. The Morgan Hill Unified School District's Hate Crime policies can be found here: [BP 5145.9](#)

(K) Ensuring optimal air quality is of paramount importance for our safety plan. We will closely monitor air pollutants, minimize emission sources, educate individuals on potential health hazards, and comply with relevant regulations. These measures will create a healthier and safer environment for all involved in our organization. Here is the link and guidance from the California Department of Education regarding Air quality: [LINK](#)

(L) Mental health is vital to our school safety plan as it directly impacts our students' well-being and academic success. We recognize that promoting positive mental health is essential for creating a safe and supportive learning environment. Our plan includes comprehensive measures to address mental health concerns, such as providing access to trained counselors, implementing mental health education programs, and fostering a culture of empathy and understanding. By prioritizing mental health support, we aim to identify and address potential issues early on, ensuring that all students feel supported, valued, and equipped with the necessary tools to navigate challenges and thrive academically and emotionally. To access all of our mental health services: [LINK](#).

Safety Plan Review, Evaluation and Amendment Procedures

Safety Plan Evaluation and Revision Record

To be effective, emergency plans need to be updated frequently and consistently. Site principals are required to assign personnel to update this Emergency Operations Plan on at least an annual basis.

Safety Plan Committee Members

Name	Title
Stormie Sutton	Principal
Kristiana Kammann	Teacher, Operations Team Member
Lisa Maack	Teacher, Operations Team Member
Claire Cabrera	Teacher, Operations Team Member
Mia Pharris	Admin Secretary

Revisions or Updates on Plan

Section(s) of the plan that has been revised or updated	Date	Recorded by (who made the changes)	
		Name	Position

Full Plan update	9/24/24	Stormie Sutton	Principal
Plan Reviewed by Safety Task Force	Jan. 2024	Safety Task Force	STF Member
Reviewed and R and R updated	1/24	J. Swift	Director of Student Services

Safety Plan Review, Evaluation and Amendment Procedures

Activity Description <i>(i.e. review steps, meetings conducted, approvals, etc)</i>	Date and Time	Attached Document <i>(description and location)</i>
The safety plan was reviewed in its entirety by the School Site Council	9/24/24 at 3:30pm	Meeting Date: 9/25/23 Approval: LINK
Staff received the Run, Hide, Defend training with the School Resource Officer; Additional Training will be provided in Fall 2023	9/20/23	Sept. 20 Staff Meeting Staff Meeting Sign In Sheet

Record of Emergency Response Training

It is the responsibility of the principal to ensure adequate training of staff, students and parents, using resources provided by the District, the community and/or the school itself.

Training Topic	Person(s) or group(s) trained	Date Implemented	The activity provided or supervised by:	
			Name	Position
Safety Plan Review	All Staff	9/25/2024	Stormie Sutton	Principal
Run, Hide, Defend Training	All Staff	9/25/2024	Greg Dini, MHPD Stormie Sutton	SRO Principal
Great American Shakeout (earthquake drill) October 17- Earthquake-Great American Shake Out and Fire Drill 30- Run, Hide, Defend (Intruder on Campus)	Staff and Students	10/17/2023	Stormie Sutton	Principal
Mandated Training, Bloodborne Pathogens, Sexual Harassment	All Staff	Aug-Oct 2024	Reina Gonzalez	Human Resources
Be Seen and Heard training	All Staff	Fall 2024	Stormie Sutton	Principal
Monthly Safety Drills (earthquake; fire)	Staff and Students	earthquake drills quarterly; fire drills monthly, August - June	Stormie Sutton	Principal

Emergency Contact Information

Communication With Schools and Facilities:

In the event the threat is immediate or imminent, personnel should be directed to follow emergency procedures established in this plan and located here: [Communicating with parents and community](#), [Local Emergency Numbers](#)

School Staff Emergency Contacts

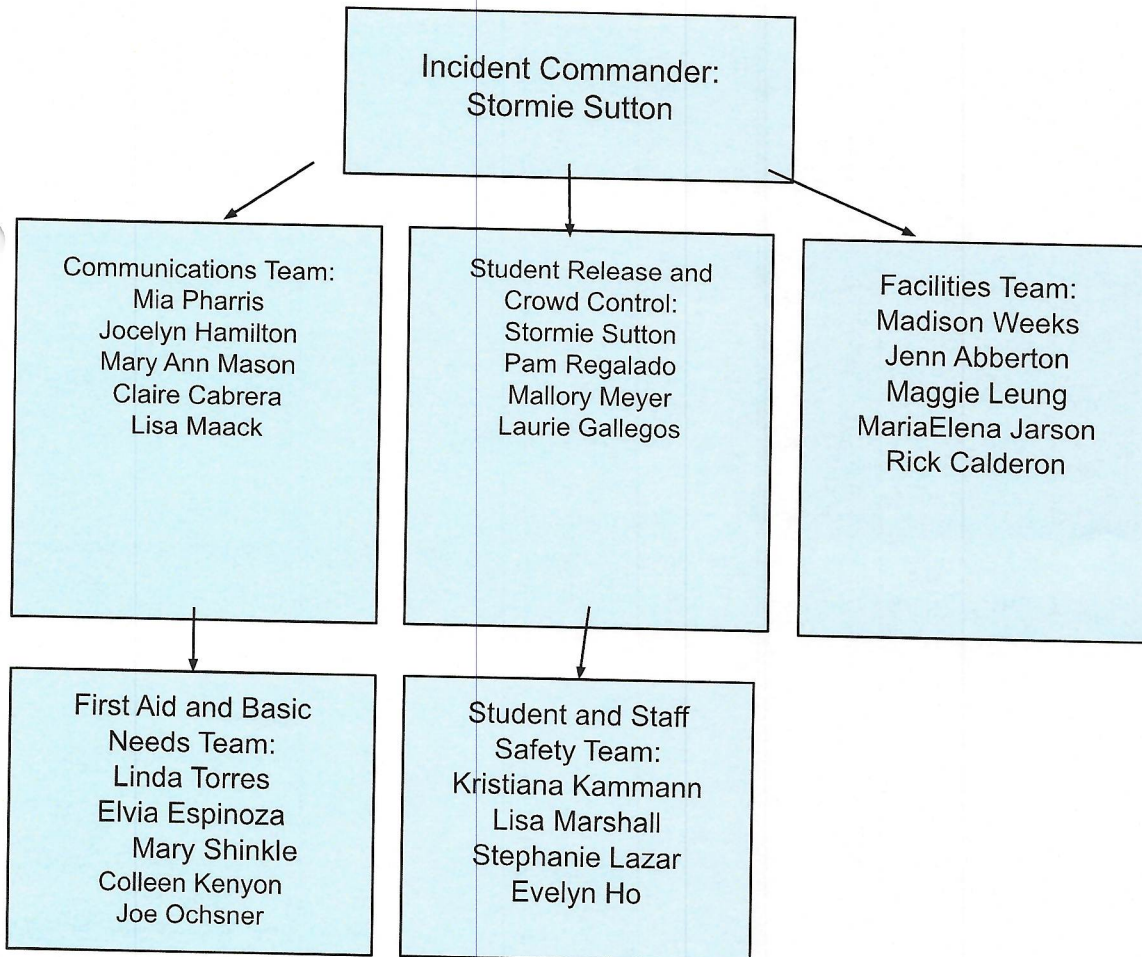
Position	Name	Contact
Principal	Stormie Sutton	408-201-6420
Administrative Secretary	Mia Pharris	408-201-6420

Campus Supervisor	Carolyn "Shelly" Elias	408-201-6420
Custodian	Rick Calderon	408-201-6420

District Emergency Contacts

Position	Name	Contact
Superintendent	Dr. Carmen Garcia	408-201-6001 Ext. 51001
Secretary to the Superintendent	Kelly Schriefer	408-201-6001 Ext. 51001
Secretary to the Asst. Superintendent of HR	Reina Gonzalez	408-201-6018 Ext. 51018
Secretary to the Deputy Superintendent and CFO	Tricia Campbell	408-201-6052 Ext. 51052
Secretary to the Asst. Superintendent of Educational Services	Claudia Estrada	408-201-6073 Ext. 51073
Director of Grounds Maintenance	Ricky Carillo	408-201- 6087 Ext. 51087

Incident Command System (ICS) for Schools



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	Name	Position	Location
Incident Commander (Description)	Stormie Sutton	Principal	Main Office or lawn area by main play structure
Communication Team (Description)	Mia Pharris	Administrative Secretary	Main Office or front entrance
	Jocelyn Hamilton	Attendance clerk	
	Maryann Mason	Teacher	
	Claire Cabrera	Teacher	
	Lisa Maack	Teacher	
Student Release and Crown Control Team (Description)	Stormie Sutton	Assistant Principal	Cafeteria or outside eating area
	Mallory Meyer	Teacher	
	Pam Regalado	Teacher	
	Laurie Gallegos / Brian Phillips	Teacher / Wellness Counselor	
Facilities Team (Description)	Madison Weeks	Teacher	Staff room or at the tetherball poles
	Jenn Abberton	Teacher	
	Maggie Leung	Teacher	
	MariaElena Jarson	Teacher	
	Rick Calderon	Custodian	
First Aid and Basic Needs (Description)	Linda Torres	Health Clerk	Room 2 or Kinder playground
	Elvia Espinoza	Teacher	
	Mary Shinkle	Teacher	
	Colleen Kenyon	Teacher	
	Joe Ochsner	Teacher	
Student and Staff Safety Team (Description)	Kristiana Kammann	Teacher	Room 17 or lawn area by redwood trees
	Lisa Marshall	Teacher	
	Evelyn Ho	Teacher	
	Stephanie Lazar	Teacher	

Types of Emergencies and Specific Procedures:

Morgan Hill Unified School District takes all safety concerns seriously and wants to ensure that every school site is prepared for a variety of emergencies and disasters.

HOW TO ASSIST THOSE WITH DISABILITIES DURING AN EVACUATION

The needs and preferences of non-ambulatory individuals will vary. Those at ground floor locations may be able to exit without help. Others may have minimal ability to move, and lifting may be dangerous. Some non-ambulatory people also have respiratory complications. Remove them from smoke and vapors immediately. For students with specific needs and have an IEP (Individual Education Plan), safety evacuations will be addressed in the IEP.

To alert visually-impaired individuals

- Announce the type of emergency.
- Offer your arm for guidance.
- Tell the person where you are going, obstacles you encounter.
- When you reach safety, ask if further help is needed.

To alert individuals with hearing limitations

- Turn lights on/off to gain a person's attention.
- Indicate directions with gestures -OR-
- Write a note with evacuation directions.

To evacuate individuals using crutches, canes or walkers

- Evacuate these individuals as injured persons.
- Assist and accompany to evacuation site, if possible -OR-
- Use a sturdy chair (or one with wheels) to move person -OR-
- Help carry individuals to safety.

To evacuate individuals using wheelchairs, including preschool students with disabilities:

- Give priority assistance to wheelchair users with electrical respirators.
- Most wheelchairs are too heavy to take downstairs; consult with the person to determine the best carry options.
- Reunite a person with a wheelchair as soon as it is safe to do so.

Medical incidents:

Emergency First Aid Guidelines for California Schools: [LINK](#)

MHUSD School Incident Documents: [LINK](#) (to be filled out by the nurse or health clerk)

Quick Reference Guides for Specific Emergencies are linked here: [LINK](#)

[Run, Hide, Defend Informational Video](#) (Santa Clara County Police Chiefs Association, Public Access)