

Tredyffrin/Easttown School District
District Safety Committee
December 4, 2024
2:00 PM at T/E Administrative Offices

Meeting Summary

Committee Members Present: Chris Groppe, Pat Boyle, Jeanne Braun, Joe Butler, Mark Cataldi, Leigh Ann Coary, Matt Diamond, Sarah Domenick, Amy Ferguson, Jana Golboro, Damika Harris, Candi Kulesa, Ayan Kumar, Lauren LaSpina, Tami Noel, Joe O'Leary, Misty Pennewill, Horace Rooney, Brian Samson, Sydney Schwartz, Betsy Toscano

Attendees: None.

1. Welcome and Introductions

Chris Groppe welcomed the committee and introductions were made.

2. Act 55 Training update – Chris Groppe

A short overview of the Act 55 school safety training requirements was shared by Dr. Groppe. Act 55 requires a minimum of three hours of safety training each school year. The Pennsylvania Department of Education identifies topics, including a minimum of one hour per year for emergency response drills. Online content for topics such as behavioral health awareness were created by the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD). These resources were used in last year's staff development and received positive feedback. Training this year will continue to include these training modules from PCCD.

3. Conestoga High School Curriculum Night Wellness Fair – Chris Groppe, Patrick Boyle

Conestoga and High Focus Treatment Centers partnered in organizing and holding a wellness fair, held during Conestoga's Curriculum Night in September. Over 40 providers of mental health services, wellness providers such as yoga studios and nutritionists, and other wellness providers set up in the atrium so that families could access information. School counselors and mental health specialists were in attendance to meet with families. Feedback was very positive and we are discussing how to capitalize on this success.

4. ARCH Information – Jeanne Braun

Jeanne discussed the upcoming ARCH meetings. The next one in February will be held at one of our middle schools and will target middle and high school parents to discuss teen substance abuse.

5. Committee members' items

None.

6. Public Comment

None.

District Safety Committee Meetings are held at 2:00 PM at the T/E Administrative Offices. The remaining 2024-2025 meeting dates for the District Safety Committee are 3/12/25 and 5/7/25.