# Special Education

## Safety Meeting

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# Meet Our Administration Team



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# Why Now?

- Special Education Parent Advisory Council asked for an update on student safety
- Given recent events in the news that occurred with our neighbors around us
- Parents of students with special needs sometimes do not feel like the general school plans address the needs of their student
- Wanted to provide an opportunity to answer questions

# Safety Practices in Place

- Crisis Training
- Culture of Safety
- Staff Training
- Partnerships with Outside Resources
- Emergency Evacuation/Health and Safety Plans

# The Mandt System®

- Mandt is our district adopted crisis intervention and de-escalation program.
- Mandt focuses on teaching staff a trauma informed approach to de-escalation and crisis intervention
- The system teaches trauma and conflict prevention in the classroom
- The Mandt system teaches that everyone has a right to safety
- The training focuses on supporting people and not their behaviors
- Strives to create a culture that provides for the emotional, psychological, and physical safety of everyone involved

# C400 Restraint and Seclusion



- Every effort should be made to prevent the need to restrain or place students in seclusion. However, Plainfield Community School Corporation recognizes that at times it may become necessary for employees to use restraints and/or seclusion when there is an imminent risk of serious physical harm to the student or others.

- Restraint or seclusion should not be used as a means of punishment or convenience.

- A supportive school environment can greatly reduce, and in many cases eliminate, the need for restraint or seclusion. School staff should model professionalism when a student is escalated and exhibiting dangerous behavior while attempting to meet the student's needs. The Corporation will use prevention, positive behavioral intervention and support, conflict de-escalation, and crisis intervention training to eliminate or minimize the need for use of restraint or seclusion.

# C400-R
# District Plan

The entire district plan including definitions, policies and procedures can be found under the board doc section of the website:

https://go.boarddocs.com/in/plainfieldin/Board.nsf/Public



# Culture of Safety

STOP IT!

See something, Say something

Mandatory Reporters



Staff Training Outside Providers

School Resource Officers

Standard Response Protocol

# STOPit

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Home of the Plainfield Quakers

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STOPit SOLUTIONS™ at Plainfield

**CLICK HERE TO REPORT A CONCERN**

# LIGHTSPEED

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**Protect Students from**

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GUIDE

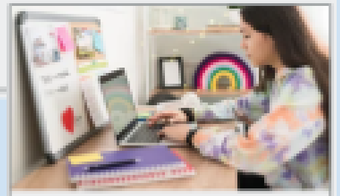
Create a safer school environment by encouraging good digital citizenship.

G A G G L E



ANTICIPATE

Proactively identify and support struggling students—before it's too late.



PREVENT

Stop tragedies with real-time content analysis and around-the-clock alerts.




**Lightspeed Classroom Management**-Gives teachers control over their digital classrooms and real-time visibility of student activity. Teachers can monitor student screens, close distracting tabs, block up to 100 URLs, and enable screen sharing for a collaborative, interactive classroom—whether it's in-person or at a distance. With Lightspeed Classroom Management, educators can spend more time educating, and less time managing

**Lightspeed Filter (formerly Relay)** is powered by the most comprehensive database of K-12 online content in the industry from 20 years of web indexing. Patented Lightspeed agents leverage advanced AI to automatically block millions of inappropriate and harmful sites, images, and videos—without overblocking. Lightspeed Filter can differentiate types of sites such as adult gaming versus educational gaming with our Esports categories.

**CylancePROTECT**- is an AI-based Endpoint Protection Platform (EPP) that blocks cyberattacks and provides controls for safeguarding against sophisticated threats—no human intervention, Internet connections, signature files, heuristics, or sandboxes required.

**Gaggle**-Machine learning technology flags concerning content in students' school-issued accounts for review and blocks potentially harmful content. In severe situations concerning student mental health or safety, district-appointed contacts are immediately notified by phone, even after standard business hours

# Standard Response Protocol




**SRP Videos**

Standard Response Protocol videos have been created for students grades PK-2 and grades 3-12 demonstrating the appropriate staff and student responses. These videos are shown to students on the first day of school.

**Emergency Plans**

Students with more significant support needs have individual emergency plans in place that detail the need of the student, who is assigned to assist that student and other pertinent information (hospital preference, emergency contact information etc).

**Health Care Plans**

Students with medical needs or students who require medical intervention in the school setting have health care plans. Health care plans also include what to do in the event of a true emergency and how to best care for the student in the event of a crisis.




# Mandatory Reporting

**Child care workers or youth serving programs are required to report suspected abuse or neglect**

**All staff members and outside providers have been trained to report. See something. Say something**

# Training

## Background Checks

All staff members working with students in the building have an approved criminal history check and DCS check on file with the district. Background checks are updated every 5 years per state guidelines.



## Outside Providers

August 21, 2023

- Cummins
- Damar
- Grateful Care
- Integrity
- Piece by Piece
- Foundations

## School Resource Officers

July 31, 2023

- Emergency  Response
- Special Transportation Calls
- Responding in a Crisis Situation
- Developing Relationships

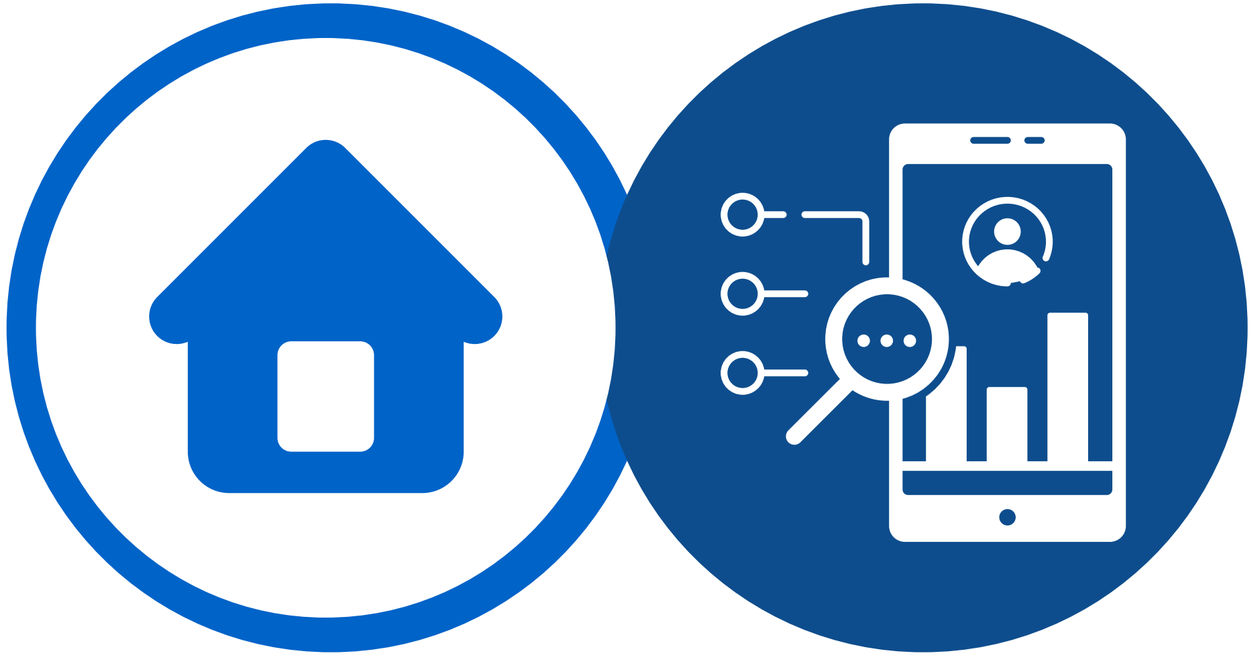
## Staff Training

NEW IA Training
Safe Schools Training
PAR Training
MANDT Training
504 Training
Quaker Con (behavior intervention)
Compliance training



# Cameras

- various capicities throughout the district
- external cameras
- hallways
- common areas
- conference rooms
- office areas
- self contained special education classrooms
- Pride Academy
- inside/in view of any seclusion room
- busses



# AWARE

The AWARE program helps law enforcement and fellow first responders identify situations and locations where first responders may be engaging with an individual with a cognitive disability or medical impairment.

# Project Lifesaver

Project Lifesaver is the a search and rescue program operated internationally by public safety agencies, and is strategically designed for “at risk” individuals who are prone to the life threatening behavior of wandering or elopement

**more to come**

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# PLAINFIELD SPECIAL EDUCATION PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Supporting Families Together



## WE NEED YOU!

Consider joining the Plainfield Special Education Parent Advisory Committee's Leadership Team to help make Plainfield Community Schools the best place to receive Special Education Services!

Our SEPAC is a collaborative group of parents, educators, and administrators from Plainfield Community School Corporation. We work together to:

- to identify, assess, assist, and review the needs of students who receive special education services in a transparent, positive, and solution-based atmosphere
- to empower families with the necessary tools to pilot the special needs system.

*If interested, contact Beth Shepperd at eshepperd@plainfield.k12.in.us*

## RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT!

Is there a topic that you want to learn more about?

A story that you want to hear?

Let us know and we'll do our best to include it in one of our quarterly newsletters!





## Special Education Parent Advisory Committee Townhall Meeting Schedule for 2023-2024

**September 12, 2023 at 6:30 (Zoom)**

Topic: Alternative Diploma Update
Presenter: Beth Shepperd, PCSC Director of Special Education
Register at:
https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYrcuGgqTopGdJPL2wnPIOhWerl4GiKy-dj

**November 14, 2023 at 6:30 (Zoom)**

Topic: Transition IEPs
Presenter: Beth Shepperd, PCSC Director of Special Education
Register at:
https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0vdu2gqDgqH9N1MDjycYjcMS3dLvlzcgQ1

**February 13, 2024 at 6:30 (Zoom)**

Topic: Staying Safe at Home and in the Community
Presenter: TBA
Register at: https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAvd-uppz8oGtMsPc9o3kbgLDrt8pEk-kcZ

**April 9, 2024 at 6:30 (Zoom)**

Topic: Erskine Green – Independent Living Skills for the future
Presenter: Megan Stevenson, EGTI Executive Director
Register at: https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0pf-uoqjMuHNwxNr_r8wm_ZR5ol6uoByae

# Thank You

https://www.plainfield.k12.in.us/o/special-education