

Dear Parents:

All of us are concerned about the safety of our families in these challenging days. At Greensburg Community Schools our top priority is protecting the safety of our students and staff. We promise that we will do everything reasonably possible to protect your children against any threat that may arise while they are in our care. We want to inform you of the things we are doing to honor our commitment to ensure that our schools and the children in them remain safe.

Over recent years, our school district has spent considerable time and effort planning and practicing safety and security measures appropriate for dealing with major critical incidents. Entry into and exit from our schools are restricted during school hours. Emergency communications have been upgraded in every school building. Staff members must wear picture identification badges. Parents and others coming into our school's must stop at the main office and receive a temporary identification badge before proceeding into the building. With our new visitor management software, this process has been made much easier.

Every school has an emergency crisis response plan with all school personnel having participated in crisis response drills. Many different scenarios are covered in the trainings. In general, each plan involves the building level safety teams along with our school corporation safety committee. Greensburg Community Schools safety plans are reviewed and approved by the Indiana Department of Education Safe Schools committee and are provided to all local emergency service organizations that serve our schools. Several drills are and will continue to be conducted monthly with involvement by our police, fire, EMA, and EMS departments.

Trained and carefully selected School Resource Officers are assigned full time to our High School and Jr. High schools. New for the 2018-19 school year, a School Resource Officer will be present at Greensburg Elementary on a part time basis, with hopes of expanding this role in the near future.

Every school has a specific plan for reunification of parents and children in the event of a major emergency. To communicate with parents and families in an emergency, GCS will use our one call system along with local media to provide information. You can help by making sure your contact information is current and always up to date. Parents can update contact information through the parent portal at www.greensburg.k12.in.us or by visiting your child's school.

School Safety is ever evolving. As a school community, we are thankful that Superintendent Tom Hunter and our Board of Education always puts the safety of our students and staff first.

If we can ever be of assistance to you or your family, please do not hesitate to call or stop by our offices.

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