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Safety Questionnaire

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1. With the growing threat of school related violence and crime have Dallas schools noticed a trend in this direction?
2. In what ways have Dallas schools implemented technology to protect students (ie. Card Access, Metal detectors, Video surveillance, Emergency Notification Systems)?
3. It is clear that in the event of an attack on a school the prime importance is on protecting all students and faculty, are there well laid out plans of evac. or lock down for the schools that can be implemented on an expedite basis?
4. In some cases, such as at Virginia Tech, classrooms lacked the ability to physically lock doors from intruders, is this common at Dallas schools?
5. Many dangers to students lie outside of the classroom in parking lots or sports facilities. Is there proper security for these high traffic areas i.e cameras, effective lighting?
6. Colleges and public areas have implemented the use of Emergency “blue-light” stations that provide a person in distress with immediate contact to police. Could these tools be useful to place in key areas of a high school campus?
7. Much of the trouble with securing a public school campus is that there are many points of access to buildings. Do the schools have proper check-in points for visitors? Are they giving photo-identifying passes? As all visitors should be accounted for.
8. Our research has lead us to believe that many students both girls and boys are not properly prepared to defend themselves. Are there any free and available self-defense training classes available to Dallas students?
9. Is safety and security part of the school orientation programs for new teachers and students?

10. Does the school maintain a “Crisis Response Flip Chart” in every class room?
These have proven to be excellent sources for quick references in emergency situations.