

*School Safety and Security Best Practices With Their Associated Indicators
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<u>Goal A:</u> The school district ensures that its safety and security program has clear direction and is effective at meeting its intended purpose in a cost-efficient manner.	X			We continue to work with the University Police Department to improve our safety program. We had an independent evaluation conducted in the Spring and are implementing many of recommendations.		
1. The district has established and implemented accountability mechanisms to ensure the performance, efficiency, and effectiveness of the safety and security program.	X					
2. The district regularly reviews the organizational structure and staffing levels of the safety and security program and minimizes administrative layers and processes.	X			The School Advisory Committee, the faculty, staff and entire school community are reviewing the program on a yearly basis.		

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<i>Goal B:</i> The school district has comprehensive plans and procedures to ensure the safety and security of students and employees.	X			The safety plan is in place but will continue to be revised as appropriate. More		
1. The district has implemented a school safety plan that includes district-wide emergency and safety procedures and identifies those responsible for them.	X			information needs to be provided to parents concerning emergency situations. The SIP plan should include new safety elements as identified each year by the independent evaluation and the school community input.		
2. The district has developed a checklist for each educational facility that provides step-by-step emergency procedures.	X			The step-by-step procedures will be reviewed periodically throughout the school year. The media response will be put in writing.		
3. The district develops and maintains its school safety plan and emergency response procedures with stakeholder input.	X			The University Police Department, community stakeholders, parent groups, faculty and students review plans.		
4. The district provides emergency response agencies with floor plans and blueprints as appropriate.	X			The University shares Information with all response agencies.		

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5. The district and each school regularly practice emergency responses based on potential hazards at each site.	X			A schedule is in place and will be followed each year. Construction Issues will not hamper drills and procedures as they did during the last school year.		
6. The district's Master Plan for In-Service Training identifies district and school personnel who need safety training and provides an appropriate level of safety training for all personnel.	X			CPR training has always been in Master Plan, but other emergency training will also be included.		
<i>Goal C:</i> The school district has developed a clearly written code of student conduct and communicated with students and parents.	X			The Code of Conduct is revised every year, reviewed with students and signed off by parents. The Code is reviewed for compliance with all laws.		
1. The district and each school have established disciplinary policies and a code of student conduct that are well-defined.	X					
2. The district revises its code of student conduct and informs all stakeholders as to the final product.	X					
<i>Goal D:</i> The school district identifies, minimizes, and protects others from disruptive and/or violent student behavior.	X			Counselors are integral in working with teacher teams and parents. Student issues are reviewed on a regular basis.		
1. Each school has a system in place to identify the early warning signs of student violence.	X					

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2. The district identifies and implements parent and community outreach strategies to promote safety in the home and community.	X			A family counseling center has been located on the campus to add to the other services already available.		
3. The district conducts a hazards analysis to determine the potential safety and security issues facing each school.	X					
4. Based on the needs identified in the school hazards analysis, the district implements appropriate violence and drug prevention programs for each school.	X			The school works closely with the University police Department and the Northeast Florida Educational Consortium as well as other agencies to review programs and to provide educational programs for the students.		
5. The district has crime watch and school safety hotlines available in all schools.	X			We have been included on the hotline for Alachua County. The SRO has a crime watch established with the students.		
6. The school board adopts curricula and programs aimed at protecting students, teachers, bus operators, administrators, and school personnel.^{1,2}	X					

¹ These programs should be designed to improve overall student performance, reduce risk factors and warning signs, prevent bullying or harassment, and improve student behavior.

² This includes programs such as “Blueprints” from the Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence, the Safe and Drug Free Schools Resource Center. NOTE: There are many sites for these kinds of programs, so the district may use something else.

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<i>Goal E: Educational facilities and equipment are safe and in good working condition.</i>	X					
1. The district conducts an annual review of all relevant health and safety issues for each educational facility. ³	X					
2. The district designs educational facilities and sites to enhance security and reduce vandalism through the use of “safe school design” principles.	X					
3. The district has procedures that govern access to each educational facility and its students and access is limited to authorized students and visitors.	X			Access is being further restricted for the 2002-2003 school year.		
4. The district ensures that playgrounds are properly constructed, maintained, and supervised so as to reduce the risk of injury.	X			A new playground is being planned.		
5. Each educational facility has appropriate equipment to protect the safety and security of property and records.	X					
6. The district provides appropriate safety equipment and information to prevent injuries to students and others.	X					
7. The district follows environmental and food safety health practices and regulations.	X					
<i>Goal F: The district takes steps to ensure the safety and security of students and staff during transportation.</i>	X					
1. The district has procedures to create safe and orderly process for students arriving at or leaving each school campus. ⁴	X					
2. The district has implemented policies, procedures, and practices that ensure the safety of transported students.	X					

³ Conducting this self-assessment as required in s. 985.401, *F.S.*, does not meet the requirements of this practice.

⁴ Refer to s. 234.0215, *F.S.*, and Rules 6-2.001 and 6-3.017(2)(e)2.b., *F.A.C.*

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3. School buses, including buses operated by schools, charter schools, and contractors, are inspected and maintained in accordance with states laws and state Department of Education rules.	X					