



PARENT SAFETY TASK FORCE NEWSLETTER

Perrysburg Schools [Parent Safety Task Force](#)

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Q&A Corner

A recent topic submitted to the Parent Safety Task Force included discussion regarding the physical safety features of our newest building, Hull Prairie Intermediate (HPI). Safety was one of the core design features for HPI. Building Safety Features Include:

- Parking Lot Design
- Signage
- Exterior Lighting
- Gated Access Road
- 100+ security cameras (When HPI opened, this more than doubled the number of security cameras in the school district.
- Exterior windows are designed to withstand a Category 5 hurricane.
- Interior windows - Several areas of the building have bullet-resistant glass.
- Interior windows in the academic wing provide natural light into the center of the building, additional writing surfaces, and a line of site for supervision purposes to the

collaboration spaces used by students.

- Office Design - The office has specific safety features that were replicated in each of the other district schools. Safety features include lockdown features, line-of-sight options, secure vestibules, and an updated PA system. Additionally, each office has a view of both parking lots and main entrances.
- All visitors are directed to the office.
- The academic wing can be locked down independently from the office.
- Inclement Weather- There are several locations in each academic wing/level in addition to the three music rooms, locker rooms, and the gym that can be used in emergency situations.



A Word About Our Community Partners

Members of the Perrysburg Police Division, Perrysburg Township Police, Perrysburg Fire Division, and the Wood County Sheriff meet monthly with school district staff and are important members of our District Safety Committee. The Perrysburg Police held Rescue Task Force training at PHS on October 29th and 30th. This included scenario-based “real feel” active shooter response training. Drama students assisted with this training. It was impressive to see the dedication, response and reflection of those on the front line who would be responding in the event of an active shooter.

Let's Talk About Mental Health....

Social Media and Student Safety

Social media use comes with both benefits and risks. Having conversations with youth about their behavior online is important to their overall well-being and safety. The resource below provides parents and families with information about helping youth stay safe and practice appropriate behavior online. Parents and adults can use these helpful tips when starting a conversation with youth about social media use, including participation in social media challenges.

Starting Conversations With Youth About Social Media

KnowBullying App (Free)

Research shows that parents and caregivers who spend at least 15 minutes a day talking with their children or teens help build strong relationships, and prevent bullying. SAMHSA's free KnowBullying app will help you boost your children's confidence, resilience and build effective strategies for facing bullying.

<https://store.samhsa.gov/product/knowbullying>

Support Resources

- **National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 988**
- **Safer Ohio School Tip Line: 844-723-3764**
This is a free service that accepts calls and texts 24/7 and allows anyone to anonymously share information with school officials and law enforcement about threats to safety
- **Crisis Text Line: text "4hope" to 741 741**
People of all ages may reach out by text 24/7 to communicate with someone trained to listen and respond, in a method that is free, private, secure and confidential. Data usage while texting Crisis Text line is free and the number will not appear on a phone bill with the mobile service carrier.

Crossing Guard Needed

We are in need of a permanent crossing guard for Eckel Junction and Hunter's Run. The hours are 8:00-9:00 a.m. and 3:00-4:00 p.m. We are willing to split the position if an applicant can only do either a.m. or p.m. If interested, please apply using the following link:
<https://www.applitrack.com/perrysburg/onlineapp/jobpostings/view.asp?internaltransferform.Url=&category=Support+Staff>

Please share this with anyone who may be interested. Thank you for your consideration!

Contact Us

Please use this [link](#) to submit a topic/concern for the Parent Safety Task Force to discuss/address at monthly meetings. Responses are anonymous, so if you would like a direct reply to your topic/concern, please include your contact information in the last section below. *For immediate or student-specific safety concerns, please contact your child's school building principal and/or emergency responders accordingly.