

Arlington CCPTA School Safety Committee

Mission

"Improve the safety and security of APS students, faculty, and staff."

We advocate for:

- Enhanced physical security
- Enhanced procedural security (personnel, access, security practices and comms)
- Support for emotional well-being resources (psychs & socials)
- Resources for community support

Our approach:

- Advocate for baseline security measures for all APS schools, analyze whether all schools meet those baselines, and coordinate with administration, staff, and PTAs to close any identified gaps.
- Open communication between APS, safety committee, and individual school administration & PTAs.

Membership

Each school should identify a Safety Committee Liaison to lead efforts and communications at the school level. Schools currently represented:

Elementary	Middle	High
Arlington Science Focus		Yorktown
Drew		
Hoffman-Boston		
Jamestown		
Key		
Long Branch		
Montessori (tentative)		
Nottingham		

2019-2020 SY Goals

1. Host School Safety Forum in both fall and spring (Fall is scheduled)
2. Promote Be SMART program throughout system (went out in Peachjar last week)
3. Identify a Safety Liaison at every school
4. Confirm baseline conformity at every school

Updates

1. School Safety Forum – Tuesday, Oct. 15, 7pm at Thomas Jefferson Middle School Theater
2. Baseline measures – a subset of Comprehensive Safety, Security, Risk and Emergency Management Plan – to be distributed to all schools for confirmation of compliance.
3. Triennial DCJS surveys in progress –confirm that all are in progress (principals)