



- Expand on de-escalation training for police personnel.
- Selection and implementation of a Universal Platform/System to enhance monitoring of students posing a threat to self or others.
- Continued enhancement of physical security at all campuses.
- Increase parent awareness and community engagement surrounding District safety protocols and initiatives.
- Increase the number of non-sworn security personnel at school sites.
- Expand existing crisis management and response training for all District employees.

Furthermore, the issue of the application of limited school entry points as potential security enhancements in M-DCPS has been discussed by the Board at different times during Committee and School Board meetings. While it may be difficult to implement a single entry point at a school which may have two or three buildings, what has been feasible is to have a single point of entry at each building.

A recent concern has been raised about what may be perceived as a failure in security measures at a school, including transportation drop-off procedures, security building entrance, and unlocked classroom doors. While this may be a specific school issue, there are a number of strategies that have been implemented to diminish any potential school disruptions due to security issues. It is always good practice for the Board to work collaboratively with law enforcement, the Florida Department of Education, and all community stakeholders in an attempt to ensure that the Board and the Superintendent continue to do everything possible to ensure the safety and security of all students and the workforce.

Therefore, this agenda item seeks to direct the Superintendent of Schools to provide the most recent update regarding the recommendations of the Districtwide Safety and Security Sub-Committee findings and recommendations presented to the Board on February 8, 2023; review current transportation drop-off procedures at school sites to continue to safeguard that students are properly supervised; report on the concept of limited school entry points by identifying current practice and recommendations to accomplish limited entry points at schools; determine if there is a need to include in policy the concept of locked classroom doors; review protocols of how Safe-School Officers (School Resource Officers) work in collaboration with school administration and security personnel; evaluate the responsibilities of region line directors, school administration, and staff as they relate to safety and security; review current School Board policies 8405 – *School Safety*, 8410 – *Emergency Management, Preparedness, and Response*, which include the Emergency Operation Plan, 8420.01 – *Severe Weather Emergency Management and Preparedness*, and decide if there is a need to incorporate by reference procedures manuals, within any confidentiality requirements, and if necessary, amend these policies and procedures to improve the safety and security of all students and the workforce.

This item has been reviewed and approved by the General Counsel's office as to form and legal sufficiency.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY**

**MS. MARIA TERESA ROJAS, CHAIR**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, direct the Superintendent of Schools to provide the most recent update regarding the recommendations of the Districtwide Safety and Security Sub-Committee findings and recommendations presented to the Board on February 8, 2023; review current transportation drop-off procedures at school sites to continue to safeguard that students are properly supervised; report on the concept of limited school entry points by identifying current practice and recommendations to accomplish limited entry points at schools; determine if there is a need to include in policy the concept of locked classroom doors; review protocols of how Safe-School Officers (School Resource Officers) work in collaboration with school administration and security personnel; evaluate the responsibilities of region line directors, school administration, and staff as they relate to safety and security; review current School Board policies 8405 – *School Safety*, 8410 – *Emergency Management, Preparedness, and Response*, which include the Emergency Operation Plan, 8420.01 – *Severe Weather Emergency Management and Preparedness*, and decide if there is a need to incorporate by reference procedures manuals, within any confidentiality requirements, and if necessary, amend these policies and procedures to improve the safety and security of all students and the workforce, and present a report to the Board at an exempt and confidential safety and security meeting of the School Board no later than February 23, 2024.