

March 28, 2023

Dear Parents,

Here at DCS we place a high priority on school safety and we continually strive to seek new ways to enhance school safety operations. In an effort to keep you informed, we have listed several safety measures currently in place which are designed to safeguard students and staff.

- 1. **Visitor Registry:** All visitors have to register with one of our main offices before having access to any building. Our two administrative assistants are careful not to give access to anyone they do not know.
- 2. **Surveillance System:** We have our entire campus on a camera system. Two staff members watch the cameras on a regular basis.
- 3. **Controlled Access:** All doors on campus are locked and can only be opened with an authorized school badge or by being buzzed in by one of our administrative assistants.
- 4. Our administrative team has developed a **School Emergency Management and Crisis Response Plan** which all staff members had training on at the beginning of the school year. However, we are updating that with the assistance of trained professionals.
- 5. **Training:** Many of our staff members have had active shooter training. However, we have another training scheduled soon. We also have a trained professional who is scheduled to walk our campus and give us feedback on areas that need to be better secured.

At DCS, your children come first. Thank you for entrusting them to our care. Our school administration is currently considering other options to enhance our existing campus safety program. DCS will strive to have the people, processes, infrastructure, and emergency plans in place throughout our school to help safeguard your children.

Sincerely,

Wendi Teten Head of School