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This report is divided into parts. The first addresses H&S Committee as a whole. This is followed by subcommittee reports.

H&S Committee

1. MCCPTA Health and Safety listserv now has 70 members.
2. We are finally standing up a Mental Health and Wellness Subcommittee, with a first meeting on Jan 12, when we will discuss plans for a Mental Health and Wellness Day.
3. The Health and Safety Committee had its second monthly meeting with MCPS 12/20. The discussion was wide-ranging, with school climate issues taking up most of the time. A significant focus was the response to the recent suicides of MCPS students. Next meeting 1/16 agenda to include: health curriculum, safety and climate report.

School Nutrition

The School Nutrition Committee is having our second meeting with DFNS Director Susan McCarron on January 23. We will also be meeting with the new assistant director of DFNS and having a tour of the facility. If anyone would like to join the committee and attend on January 23, please contact nutrition@mccpta.org.

Safe Technology

- Worked with a CTO on Best Practices "Tech Blast" for January delivery to staff
- Held subcommittee meeting on 12/13
- Met with Councilmember Rice's staff on 12/11
- Began building a website

School Climate

- The Sub-Committee on School Climate and Safety compiled and shared a list of relevant resources (attached). We'll continue to update and add to it.
- Preliminary plans for a county-wide conversation on student mental health and wellbeing