



LITTLE CHUTE
Area School District
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Dear Families,

In light of the recent tragedy in Florida, I want to reassure you that the Little Chute Area School District takes every measure to keep students safe and secure at school.

To insure best practices, we continually improve and update our District Wide Safety Plan, working with all employees to discuss and practice procedures in the event of an emergency or crisis. We work closely with the Fox Valley Metro Police Department and other local agencies to improve our crisis plan and preparedness. The District's training and practices have allowed our staff and students to think carefully about their surroundings at school, and consider what they will do ahead of time in the case of an emergency.

As with all our safety drills (tornado, fire, secure/hold), our intent is not to worry students. Students should understand that they are practicing so that they are prepared. The drills will also serve as a reminder to students, staff, and parents/guardians of their important role in promoting school safety by following procedures and reporting unusual or concerning individuals or behavior.

Our designated Police School Liaison Officer is very visible and engaged with our students and staff. More than fifty surveillance cameras throughout the District monitor areas in and around buildings including school entrances, parking lots, hallways, and other areas. Guests to our schools are closely monitored--reporting to the main office, signing in, and wearing identification badges. Other measures include internet filters to block access to inappropriate material from the internet. All LCASD employees and students understand their role in maintaining a safe school environment by reporting potential concerns to school officials (if you see something, say something).

Along with these and other measures to ensure safety and security, we strive to provide a positive and welcoming environment for **all** our students and their families. We accomplish this by engaging, supporting and connecting with all members of the Little Chute school/community. Further, our pupil services department provides resources and services to students relating to mental health, including wellness screenings, grief resources, and more.

I have [linked here](#) a resource document provided by the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP) for parents (and guardians) to assist in talking with children about violence and their safety (www.nasponline.org). Additional resources will be posted on the District's website at www.littlechute.k12.wi.us under "School Safety Resources".

Our counselors and school psychologists are available to help. As always, please contact your child's teacher, school counselor or principal if you have any questions or concerns related to your student.

Let's continue to work together to provide a safe and positive environment for our children by promoting positive behaviors and keeping the lines of communication open between home and school.

Sincerely,

David M. Botz
District Administrator