Pillars of School Security

Secure Facilities
- All district buildings assessed by law enforcement according to security and crime prevention guidelines
- Single point of entry via secure front office
- Security features throughout each campus monitored by Schools Police

Daily Practices
- All visitors background screened
- Armed security at every school
- Gates and doors locked

Planning and Preparation
- All staff trained by law enforcement on active threat response
- Monthly age-appropriate drills for all students conducted by law enforcement
- School safety plans updated annually and shared with first responders

Positive School Climate
- Partnership with Sandy Hook Promise
- Every child has an adult advocate at his or her school
- Anti-bullying and student crime watch programs in every school
- Threat assessment teams to identify and help students in need
- Social workers, counselors, and psychologists available in every school
Tiered Safety and Security Strategies

**TIER 1:** District Wide Strategies
Core of foundational strategies

- Classroom doors locked at all times during the school day
- Safest Area “Deep Corners” marked in all classrooms
- Camera coverage in common areas
- Full time armed presence at every school site
- Consistent enforcement of policies regarding campus security and visitors
- Maintain a single point of entry with a secured front vestibule/office
- Monitor all entrances and exits at the opening and closing of the school day
- All personnel trained in ordering a lockdown and given the ability to order a lockdown
- Ongoing and consistent training of students and staff in cooperation with law enforcement
- Communication system audible campus wide with two way communication available in every classroom

**TIER 2:** Targeted Strategies
Strategies to address occasional or school specific issues

- Direct Communications to local dispatch
- Student and visitor movement restricted when necessary
- Notification to teachers/staff regarding students with felony charges
- Threat assessments at school and district level in concert with law enforcement
- Enhanced camera coverage for areas identified during school assessment
- Facility hardening to meet unique school needs as identified during school assessment

**TIER 3:** Intensive Strategies
School Specific Strategies

- Campus specific training/drills
- Classroom/building specific hardening strategies
- Expulsion/reassignment of students with identified threat/discipline concerns
- Campus closed to outside visitors and student movement restricted to that with adult escort only when necessary
- Access control measures to meet unique school needs as identified during school assessments