



# Selinsgrove Area School District

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Selinsgrove Area School District Community:

As a nation, we collectively mourn the loss of life which occurred as a result of a school violence situation yesterday in Uvalde, TX. While reflecting and praying for peace among those directly impacted, we will also take this opportunity to provide information related to our ongoing efforts as a school district and community to maintain a safe school environment in Selinsgrove.

In addition to our regularly scheduled safety analyses, here are a few specific components we have put in place to ensure consistent advancement in our approach to safety: establishment of The Selinsgrove Area School District Police Department (SASDPD), strong relationships with other police departments serving our communities (including Pennsylvania State Police), recent reviews and assessments of our facilities and procedures by the Department of Homeland Security and the Center for Safe Schools, threat assessment training for school district leaders, building-specific safety analysis on a regular basis, school district trainings for how to respond to various safety situations, and technology and other infrastructural enhancements. The specified areas of growth are in addition to our continued development with our community's first responders and other school districts' safety teams. Our philosophy regarding school district safety is to continually enhance safety while also fostering cultural growth and the sense of "home".

The Selinsgrove Area School District continues to be grateful for the community's consistent support. Our students, staff, and families benefit daily. We would also like to remind you that you can contact us at any time should you feel there is a concern for school safety. The purpose of this notification is to provide upfront feedback to anticipated questions that families may have and to verify that we are all in this journey together as a community. Our collective goal of helping families develop their children upon a foundational rock is of the utmost importance. Prayers and best wishes to you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Frank R. Jankowski