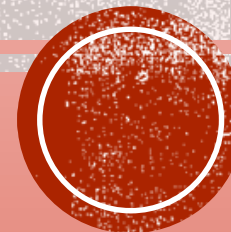


MOVING FORWARD: SCHOR SCHOOL SAFETY AND SECURITY



HEADLINES . . .

- Why would anyone compromise our school security knowing this is the society that we are part of?
- This is a serious matter...



ZERO TOLERANCE

- March 2018
 - “Expelled” from district: one student placed out of district; another in an alternative program
- Recent incident at a another Middle School in our district
- Currently, there are incidents under investigation
 - We are confident we will find the responsible student(s)



EXAMPLES OF WHAT YOU CAN'T SAY IN SCHOOL

- I am going to blow up this school
- I have a gun in my backpack
- If you can't say it on the line at the airport security, you can not say it here
 - It doesn't matter if you are only joking



DISTRICT/SCHOOL RESPONSE

- Zero Tolerance
- Immediate contact/involvement of Piscataway Police Department
- Whatever you have in school becomes subject to search for all
 - Lockers, backpacks, purses, materials
- Students are assigned appropriate disciplinary consequences as noted in code of conduct
 - Long-term suspension (> 10 days)
 - Counseling
 - Parent contact
 - REMOVAL from school
 - Police complaint is mandatory



DISTRICT/SCHOOL RESPONSE (CONTINUED)

- The more these incidents happen, the more we all lose our privileges
 - Modified Restroom Plan
 - Higher security at opening of school
- Random searches, use of wands
- If a school day is lost due to a student threat, the day MUST be made up during winter/spring recess



PISCATAWAY POLICE DEPARTMENT RESPONSE

- SAFETY OF STUDENTS, TEACHERS, STAFF, AND COMMUNITY IS OUR TOP PRIORITY
- THREATS – WRITTEN/SPOKEN/ELECTRONIC
- DEPLOYED RESOURCES TO INVESTIGATE FAKE THREATS HURTS COMMUNITY



PISCATAWAY POLICE DEPARTMENT RESPONSE (CONTINUED)

- PISCATAWAY POLICE ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY FOR THREATS
 - TERRORISTIC THREATS (2C:12-3)
 - 3RD Degree Crime
 - Fines up to \$15,000
 - Liable to reimburse emergency service and school administration for costs
 - Jail term of 3 – 5 years
 - CRIMINAL MISCHIEF (2C:17-3)
 - Degree of crime can vary from DP to Third Degree Crime
 - Fines up to \$1,000 (DP), \$1,000 (4th), \$10,000 (3rd)
 - Jail terms of up to 1 year (DP), 1 ½ years (4th), 3 – 5 years (3rd)
 - Loss of initial driver's license for a year for each offense



PISCATAWAY POLICE DEPARTMENT RESPONSE (CONTINUED)

- POLICE INVESTIGATIONS

- Social Media
 - “You put it out there...it stays there”
 - Electronic data retention
 - Account discoverability
 - Perception of the viewer



WHO YOU GONNA TELL?

- Reporting and snitching
 - What is the difference?



PREVENTION INVOLVES ALL OF US

- Be smart about social media – don't forward or participate in bad chats.
- “See something, say something” to someone
 - Who can you say something to?
 - SROs, Teachers, counselors, administrators, family
 - Friends?
- Talk to staff/counselors about any personal issues you may have
- Get help the right way!
- We have the power and right to be safe in our school every day!



RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR STUDENT SUPPORT

- Counseling Department: Ms. Johansen, Ms. Patel, Dr. Garcia
- Haven Mental Health Counseling Referrals
- Peer groups



MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER...

- School security drills
- Staff continue to wear IDs
- Students will be required to wear IDs
 - Privileges limited beginning in December
 - Consequences issued by 1/2019

