

## Findlay City Schools Community Discussion

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all who attended our Community Discussion on security Thursday, March 15, 2018 in the FHS auditorium. We estimate that there were well over 200 people in attendance to discuss this important issue. As mentioned at the discussion, we are scheduling meetings with students to discuss their concerns and possible solutions for a more secure school environment. The district has compiled a list of suggestions brought to our attention at the community discussion or in follow-up emails. In early April, the district will meet to discuss these topics and work towards implementation to help us improve our security initiative across the district. We are aggressively working on grants to secure more school resource officers in our buildings.

Again thank you for your interest in our district and our students' safety as we move forward and Educate and Empower for Life!



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### Community Discussion Follow-up

- In favor of metal detectors and guns in the classroom
- Principals discussed programs that are incorporating relating to students' feelings and being aware of emotional problems.
- We have a pool of amazing talented children who want to make things better and have a voice on safety and their concerns
- Surveillance and verifying identity
- More communication and public meetings
- Full length glass windows next to the doors at FHS/make bullet proof
- Scan in system for everyone
- Mental health and students/staff relationships
- School being open after hours for events-part of building is technically open and doors are unlocked and there is no security
- Metal detectors/x-ray system is not possible in foreseeable future
- Cameras help catch perpetrators
- More boots, more officers, more training, new/improved glass, more mental health staff, psych's, all costs money-can't do it all
- Curtains or blinds over glass

- Panic Rooms/Bullet proof Safe rooms in all FCS classrooms
- Counselors unavailable due to all the scheduling they do-more funding for more counselors and psych's in the schools.
- 19 out of 28 incidents a shooter entered the building after classes were in session.
- Hiring more Security Resource Officers (SRO)
- Mental health professionals involved.
- Students should be allowed to carry pepper spray.
- Next step in securing buildings and keeping intruders out?
- Training staff to deal with students who need help.
- What can be done to speed up The Boot installation?
- Who is helping the loner type kid?
- Parents need to get involved with child's school.
- Middle School doors locked in the am when kids need to get inside early.
- Bullying and drugs getting into the schools.
- Substitute teachers having access to building without identification
- Resource officers not trained or willing to enter an active shooter situation.
- Active shooter assault trained officers in the building.

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