



WEST OSO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents and/or Guardians,

In light of the recent tragedy in Uvalde, we understand there are heightened levels of concern regarding school safety in West Oso ISD and across the country. As your Superintendent, I want to assure you of my personal commitment to the safety and well-being of our students and staff at all times. Over the summer, the district conducted a safety audit in order to fully prepare for the opening of schools on Monday, August 22, 2022. Based on the results of our audit and best practices recommended by the Texas School Safety Center, West Oso ISD has implemented the following safety measures for the 2022-2023 school year:

1. All exterior and interior doors will remain locked.
2. The district will replace and/or repair doors that require upgrades.
3. Improved communication through new phone and PA systems, as well as an increased number of walkie talkies and security cameras.
4. Implementation of the West Oso ISD Safety and Security Committee.
5. Emergency response teams trained on each campus.
6. Implementation of Parents on Patrol.
7. Increased safety drills on each campus.
8. Exterior door audits on all campuses weekly.
9. All West Oso ISD staff trained in emergency response protocols including Stop the Bleed professional development.
10. Implement an online Safety Concern Reporting System

Furthermore, we have increased local law enforcement patrol on our campuses and remain in close communication with the Corpus Christi Police Department. We take ALL threats seriously and deem them all as credible until fully reviewed with law enforcement and determined otherwise.

As an additional safety measure, our school has implemented a procedure for all parents/guardians, visitors, and guests who attempt to enter our school campuses. A driver's license, or government issued ID card, will be required for access to our buildings, which will be through the front door entrance ONLY. Campuses remain closed to visitors, please call campuses to schedule appointments. No outside lunch may be delivered/brought to campuses.

We will continue to explore enhancements to our existing plans and brainstorm additional measures to keep our students and staff safe. Please contact your campus principal or the WOISD Safety & Security Office at (361) 806-5900 with any safety or security concerns or any suggestions for improvement.

Thank you

Conrado Garcia
Superintendent of Schools

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Every Student. Every Hour. Every Day.*