

# 2019 Safety Committee Report



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## Introduction

The safety Committee would like to thank John Heidershceidt, his team, the district, and the Board of Education for the opportunity to be part of the district's focus on safety. We hope our recommendations in this report bring ideas for how to expand on the work already being done and identify areas that can be strengthened. The Student Safety and Culture Committee believes the following recommendations will positively impact student/staff safety within the district but also that school safety is a process of continual improvement and needs to be monitored and improved as situational needs require and budgets allow.

The Student Safety and Culture Committee was created in 2017-2018 to assist U-46 in examining issues of student safety and the Student Code of Conduct.



4-25-19 APPROVED BY CAC EXECUTIVE

5-09-19 APPROVED BY CAC GENERAL

5-20-19 PRESENTED TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

## Work done in '18-'19



Parent Communication



Website Information



Bullying Reporting



SCOC Review



Video

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## 2018-2019 Review



### Parent Communication

The Committee brainstormed ways to improve parent communication about the SCOC and District-related safety concerns.



### Website Information

The Committee suggested ways to improve visibility and accessibility of safety information on the District website.



### Bullying Reporting

The Committee suggested expanding bullying reporting to include easier reporting of sexual harassment and assault.



### SCOC Review

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## Recommendations



### Parent Communication

Expand communication to parents and students about the SCOC and student safety through the website, emails, videos, connect-ed messages, social media, and town hall events.



### Online Safety

Since the District is providing more 1:1 technology, students and staff need to receive training on online safety. Specifically regarding: safeguarding personal information, trafficking, radicalization, and online bullying.



### Bullying Reporting

Create more focus on sexual assault, harassment, and stalking reports and data and report those on a regular basis to the board for monitoring. Improve support for students.



### Community Presentations

Build on the success of the CAC safety presentation and vetter speakers on safety related topics that schools can present to parents and the community. Topics include: Teen Dating Violence, Vaping, Suicide Prevention, Assault and Harassment, Teen Violence/Bullying, and Online Safety.