

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SHIOCTON

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RECENT SCHOOL SAFETY TRAINING

Act 143

Written Summary * 2021 – 2022 School Year

On August 26, 2021, staff across the district participated in a safety training during Back-to-School in-service days. We reviewed key concepts of our Safety Philosophy: See Something, Say Something; Hide+, Flight, and Fight. We discussed Fight as a last resort and mentally walked through what that would look like if needed, but did not conduct a physical practice.

Following this instruction, 135 staff proceeded to the MS/HS evacuation site to participate in a reunification simulation. Upon completion, all staff proceeded to the Elementary evacuation site to participate in another reunification simulation. Three members from the Outagamie County Sheriff's Department joined us for the simulations. We are continuing to work with local and county law enforcement agencies, as well as area organizations and businesses to cultivate a new reunification location that could house all students and staff. This will be an ongoing effort through the school year.

On August 9, the administrative team met with SBFD & EMS Chief Butch Bunnell and SPD Chief Amber George to review and revise the Emergency Crisis Plan (school safety plan). The Board of Education approved the updated Plan on August 16, 2021.

A fire drill with full evacuation was held on Thursday, October 7 in conjunction with the Shiocton Police Department and the SBFD & EMS. Approximately 720 students and 130 staff in Grades ECH – Gr 12, along with approximately 34 students and 8 staff members from Shiocton Child Care Center, participated in this event. Fire drills are held monthly with an average student count of 725.

The District continues to hold a tornado drill in conjunction with the state-wide test during Tornado and Severe Weather Awareness week in April. Intruder drills are also conducted each year; the next drill will be held in February, 2022. Staff continue to practice Hide, Fight, and Flight with the most recent practice being held on January 19, 2022.

Safety remains of the utmost concern. To be prepared is to be a survivor and not a victim. Therefore, we will continue to prepare our staff and our students so that all may remain safe regardless of the concern.

Respectfully-Submitted,

Nichole J. Schweitzer District Administrator

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