

SCHOOL SAFETY UPDATE

Dear Parents, Students and Staff:

Providing a safe and supportive learning environment for all students and staff remains one of Dinwiddie County Public Schools' top priorities. The community's awareness after the tragic events in Connecticut is shared by our school officials. As a division, we will work with all schools to make the learning environment as safe as possible for all students and staff. We have reviewed our Emergency Management Plans, added additional supervision where needed and have also examined long-term solutions that we feel will enhance security at each school.

Please be assured that we will take all necessary precautions to address the safety of our students and staff. I would encourage you to contact your school's principal or our office (804-469-4190) if you have questions.

Sincerely,



William D. Clark
Superintendent

Helping Children Cope with Violence

Often with tragedies, children may be confused or frightened. Most likely they look to adults for information and guidance on how to react. Parents and school personnel can help children get through these difficult times. The following link from the National Association of School Psychologists provides tips for parents and teachers in helping children cope.

http://www.nasponline.org/resources/crisis_safety/talkingviolence.pdf