



Safety is always a top priority at the Tracy Unified School District. The district emphasizes keeping students safe at school through strict behavior standards, school resource officers, campus supervisors, and activities that keep students participating in school. Below you will find some of the things TUSD does to keep student safe:

Crime Reporting

The Tracy Unified School District encourages the reporting of crimes and suspicious activities. Our community can make anonymous reports to schools or local police departments. If you or your child wants to report a crime or suspicious circumstance, call your local school or the Tracy Police Department at (209) 831-4550.

Drug and Weapon Prevention

The Tracy Unified School District partners with the Tracy Police Department and the Kontraband Intradiction and Detection Services program (KIDS) to deploy canine officers trained to detect drugs and weapons. The dogs are used randomly in the common areas of high schools. They do not search individual students. When deemed necessary, the district also employs undercover officers to address the sale of narcotics at schools.

Fingerprinting of Volunteers

The Tracy Unified School District requires volunteers who work with students in any capacity to be fingerprinted for a criminal background check. The fingerprint check is done by the U.S. Department of Justice. They look for convictions for drug crimes, sexual crimes, or violent felonies. It is the same check that district employees must pass prior to being hired.

Internet Safety

The Tracy Unified School District prepares students to use the most up-to date technology and learning tools. Just as we want students to be safe at school, it is imperative that we keep our students safe on the Internet. Every computer in the district uses an Internet filtering system and parents must sign a form to allow their children access to the Internet while at school.

Law Enforcement Partnerships

Each comprehensive high school has an assigned School Resource Officer (SRO). The SRO works with site staff to enforce laws and to mentor and educate the district's youth. Additional officers are available to assist at elementary and middle schools.

Parent Notification

In the event that an emergency takes place on a school campus, student safety is our top concern. Depending on the level of the emergency, parents will be notified by telephone call or a letter home. Please make certain that your child's school has your most current emergency contact information.

Safety Tips to and from School

There are several precautionary safety measures parents and students can take as they go to and from school. Talk to your children about the following safety measures:

- Do not talk to strangers, even if they know your name.
- Always walk directly to and from school using the same path every day.
- Always walk or ride your bike with a group of friends.
- Run directly to school or home if you are approached by a stranger.
- Immediately notify a school official or parent.

School Safety Plan

Each year schools are required by law to update a school safety plan. The plan includes earthquake emergency procedures and a disaster policy for buildings with a capacity of 50 or more people. Schools must report on the status of the safety plan to numerous community leaders. In addition, a description of the safety plan's key elements must be detailed in the school accountability report card.

To assist law enforcement officers and public safety personnel, each school site is equipped with an "Emergency Response Plan" and emergency preparedness supplies that includes site emergency plans.

Anti-Bullying/Anti-Gang Efforts

October is designated as TUSD's Anti-Bullying Month, and throughout the school year, anti-bullying and anti-gang programs, curriculum and activities are shared with students. These include Challenge Day, Mix It Up Days and cooperative efforts with local community resource Point Break.

Zero Tolerance Policy

Tracy Unified schools enforce a zero tolerance policy towards behavior that leads to physical injury, weapons on campus, or the selling of drugs. All three of these actions will result in a recommendation for expulsion from the school district and possible arrest. Teachers and administrators work diligently to inform students about expected behaviors, and to enforce the policy.