

SPAC (Superintendent Parent Advisory Committee) MEETING

September 9, 2018

NEW INFORMATION DISCUSSED:

****HCPS MOBILE APP RECENTLY LAUNCHED; TO STAY CONNECTED****

THIS APP HELPS PARENTS, TEACHERS, STUDENTS; STAY CONNECTED BY KEEPING YOU UPDATED ON CURRENT INFORMATION WITHIN HENDERSON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS (IE. DISTRICT LEVEL COMMUNICATIONS/NOTIFICATIONS, WEATHER ANNOUNCEMENTS, CALENDARS W/ UPDATED AND CURRENT INFORMATION, SCHOOL MENUS, MEAL PAYMENTS, PARENT RESOURCES & STUDENT RESOURCES.

****THIS APP ALSO CONTAINS LINKS FOR COMPANION APPS SUCH AS:****

- REPORT IT, DON'T IGNORE IT APP: USED TO REPORT BULLYING, DRUGS, VANDALISM, FIGHTING, ETC.
- POWER SCHOOL APP: USED TO ACCESS YOUR CHILD'S GRADES & ATTENDANCE, ETC.
- HERE COMES THE BUS APP: USED TO SEE WHERE YOUR CHILD'S BUS IS LOCATED AND GET UP TO DATE STATUS AND INFORMATION OF THE BUS SCHEDULE.

PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED INFORMATION:

SCHOOL SAFETY & SAFETY MEASURES THAT ARE IN THE WORKS

PHASE 1

- 1 ELECTRONIC INTERIOR DOOR LOCKS FOR ALL SCHOOLS.
2. CONTINUED LOCK DOWN DRILLS
3. CARDS WILL BE USED TO UNLOCK DOORS

PHASE 2

1. CONSTRUCTION TO OLDER SCHOOLS THAT HAVE OPEN AREAS AT FRONT ENTRANCE; WALLS WILL BE INSTALLED ON OLDER SCHOOLS TO BLOCK OPEN ACCESS TO THE WHOLE SCHOOL. FRONT OFFICE WILL BE THE MAIN ENTRY POINT IN A SECURE LOCKED AREA.

OTHER FOCUSED AREAS OF CONCERN IN THE WORKS:

DISTRICT LEVEL: CRISIS AND EVACUATION TRAINING, MENTAL HEALTH & FIRST AID TRAININGS, "RAVE" CRISIS COMMUNICATIONS, EXPANSION OF SCHOOL SAFETY PLANS.

COMMUNITY LEVEL: INCREASED MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS AND FAMILIES, INCREASED SRD/SRO'S AT SCHOOLS, ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR SCHOOL SAFETY, CONNECTING W/ MENTORS- FROM CIVIC, FAITH, & COMMUNITY GROUPS IN HENDERSON COUNTY.

HCPS ARE LOOKING INTO COLLABORATING WITH WINGATE UNIVERSITY AND LOCAL COMPANIES/INDUSTRIES TO ENHANCE EDUCATIONAL & CAREER OPPORTUNITIES FOR HENDERSON COUNTY STUDENTS.

THAT'S ALL FOR NOW.

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