



**MORRIS COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #101**

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## Morris Community High School Security Information

Morris Community High School continues to provide a safe and positive learning environment for students and staff. Recent 5Essential survey data indicates that nearly 90% of the students feel safe in and around MCHS. Over the past several years, MCHS has updated building security in a variety of ways:

- Replaced all exterior doors
- Updated keyless entry with the use of proximity
- Increased security cameras both inside and outside the facility
- Employed a full -time School Resource Officer through an agreement with the Morris PD
- Enhanced access control throughout the daytime and evening
- Safety training in conjunction with local and state police officials
- Periodic canine searches inside the building and in the parking lots
- All-school assemblies dealing with a variety of topics to help students with the pressures of growing up
- Updated crisis planning and protocols

The tragic events in Broward County, Florida have impacted everyone and caused us to take a renewed look at opportunities for improvement in our safety and security efforts.

Principal Hussey and the administrative team will meet with each grade level on Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> to provide reassurance of our continued commitment to school safety, review some changes to current practice, remind students the importance of reporting to adults any suspected potential dangers, and answer any questions students may have.

Some immediate improvements include:

Hired two additional security personnel to work with SRO Huettemann in the areas of enhanced building access control, general supervision, safety training, monitoring parking lots, and other duties as assigned. Effective immediately

Conducting a safety and facility audit through an outside agency

Reminding students and staff of the existing safety hotline: 815-941-5401

Additional upgrades to our current security system

Employing for the 2018-2019 school year one additional social worker as an additional resource for our student services department.

Please contact Morris Community High School with any questions: 815-942-1294