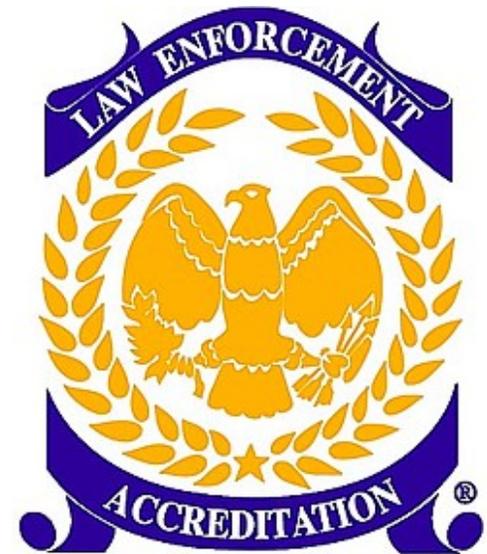


Virginia Beach Public Schools

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School Safety and Philosophy

- History of SRO
- SROs have full support of Police Department and Administrators
- Importance of precinct/school connection
- Crime Issues
- Mentors
- Community connection
- Traffic Safety

High School Middle School

- School Resources Officers (SRO)
- 28 School Resource Officers
 - 11 High Schools / 14 Middle Schools
- SROs teach Virginia Laws and Safety Aspects
 - all 7th graders
- SROs teach The Overview of the Judicial System
 - all high school students
- Other programs:
 - Every 15 Minutes
 - Drive Safe Hampton Roads
 - Consequences of Drinking and Driving through use of Fatal Vision Goggles

Police and School Initiatives

- Every 15 Minutes
- Gang Initiative (SRO trained)
- Online Gang training provided to school employees
- Gang Seminar-Special Investigations
- Active Shooter Training Sessions

Holistic Approach

- Department of Administrative Support Services
- Officers/supervisors patrolling the elementary school areas
- Officers/supervisors from both day and evening shifts patrol in and around the campus

Holistic Approach

- Principals In-Service (July)
 - Emergency Planning
 - CIRA Exercise

- In attendance:
 - Secret Service
 - Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
 - Department of Emergency Management

Major Events

- High School Football games
- Graduations
- Other Events

Crisis Intervention Training

- All School Resource Officers have attended a 40 hour Crisis Intervention Training session designed for dealing with juveniles in mental crisis
- This program is designed to help the officer recognize mental health issues versus criminal behavior
- Divert the juvenile from the criminal justice system when possible

Crime Prevention and Schools

- Officers in combination with Safe Schools staff conducted 16 security assessments
- Ongoing efforts to review other campuses for Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design evaluation
- Princess Anne Elementary School next scheduled (August 20, 2013)
- Safe School audits will resume in September

CIRA Exercise

- Exercise with 300 + participants
- Police
- Schools, staff and role players
- Fire
- Rescue
- Dispatchers
- Volunteers
- City Officials observed the exercise
- CIRA Video@
- <http://youtu.be/ThZeSc0zK1U>