


Rooney Elementary School



4900 Columbus Road
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Rooney Parents and Guardians,

The goal of this communication is to reassure your children that our schools take security and safety very seriously. The school principal, teachers, and security guards are here to ensure each student feels safe when walking through our school doors. The following are suggested key talking points to have with your children.

Key Talking Points for Parents to Use When Discussing School Safety and Security

For young elementary children (K-2)

- Keep information simple and short.
- Reassuring your children that their school is safe, and the staff, teachers, and security guards are there to keep them safe.
- Young children respond well to simple examples of school safety.
- Provide them with specific examples of their own school's safety procedures, like locked exterior doors, emergency drills, and teachers monitoring children while outside.
- Encourage your children to ask questions both to you and their teachers.
- If you see something, say something.

For upper elementary children (3rd-5th)

- Emphasize schools are safe.
- Children may be more vocal and have more questions about their safety and what is being done at their school.
- Discuss the school's safety plan and any other relevant communication to ease your child's mind.
- Keep an open dialogue. Encourage them to ask questions whether that be to you or their teacher.
- Encourage and remind your students that if they see something, say something.

If you have any concerns for your children, please reach out to the school or the child's teacher.

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