



ANN ARBOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

# AAPS

# Student & School Safety

*2017-2018 School Year*

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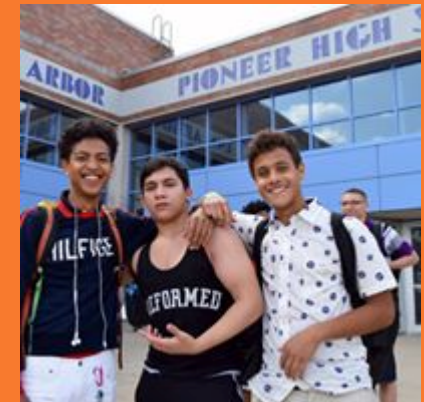
**In a safe learning environment staff and students can focus on the priority of teaching and learning**



# Responsibilities of the Executive Director, School & Student Safety

- Help facilitate and support “Safe Routes to School” plans and implementation at all 32 district schools.
- Serve as the AAPS representative with the City of Ann Arbor, Sheriff’s Department, Pittsfield Township Public Safety and other community agencies to improve and ensure student safety.
- Oversee an education campaign to inform students, staff, parents and the community about student and school safety including pedestrian, transportation and traffic flow plans.
- Work with local law enforcement to schedule and train AAPS staff in the ALICE intruder response protocol.

- A safe school is a welcoming school.
- Our facilities should provide and our staff should communicate a sense of confidence and security to our students and parents.
- Engage all stakeholders - staff, parents, students, law enforcement and the community - which is key to creating healthy and happy learning environments.
- Be prepared. Plan, practice and implement protocols that offer assurances to our families and staff.





## Keys to Success

- Relationship building
- Listening
- Evaluating
- Communicating
- Results



## First Year Goals

- **Meet with each school to assess, develop and support safety plans including pedestrian travel, car and bus pick-ups/drop-offs**
  - ◆ **School site assessments**
  - ◆ **Partner with:**
    - **AAPD & City Engineer where applicable**
    - **Pittsfield Twp Safety at Carpenter**
  - ◆ **Provide communication safety information to schools for newsletters/ emails**
- **AAPS Transportation Safety Committee**
  - ◆ **Ensure goals of the committee are met**
  - ◆ **Keep open communication**



## First Year Goals

- **Education Campaign - Develop pedestrian, bike and car education campaign for students, staff, parents**
  - ◆ **Coordinate w/ City of Ann Arbor**
  - ◆ **Online, emails, school presentations and visuals, social media campaigns**
  - ◆ **Work with Safe Kids / Mott Hospital program**



## First Year Goals

### ➤ **ALICE Intruder Response Protocol Training**

- **Provide schools w/ basic ALICE information deck to share with staff as refresher and introduction**
- **Plan and implement ALICE training for staff August 2018**
  - ◆ **Work with local law enforcement to schedule and update ALICE training**
  - ◆ **Communicate ALICE training protocols to parents(Spring 2018)**
  - ◆ **Update age appropriate ALICE education plans for students**



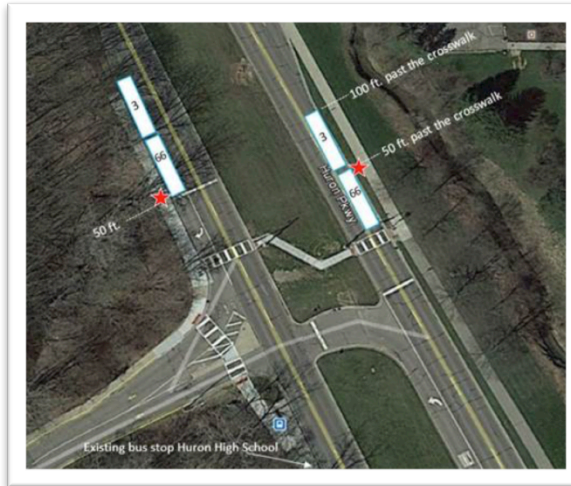


## 5 Month Update

### ➤ Accomplishments

#### Huron High School

- New AAATA bus stop locations on Huron Parkway





## 5 Month Update

### ➤ Accomplishments

#### King Elementary School

No Parking signs along Waldenwood Dr.





## 5 Month Update

### ➤ Accomplishments

#### **Slauson Middle School**

No Parking signs along W. Washington



Summer 2018 construction includes bump outs – Seventh, Eighth, Ninth & Crest & 3-way stop at W. Washington & Ninth & bus pad.



## 5 Month Update

### ➤ Accomplishments

#### Angell Elementary School

Change of Stop Sign on S. University



Proposed- Consolidation of street signs along  
S. University



## 5 Month Update

### ➤ Accomplishments

#### Clague Middle School

Proposed projects:



New Signage Request to City per Traffic Study-  
Bluett Dr.

- No Standing, Stopping or Parking signs
- No U-Turn signs



## 5 Month Update

### ➤ Accomplishments

#### **Thurston Elementary School**

No Parking signs installed on Renfrew at Prairie

Request for bump-outs on

- Prairie at Renfrew
- Aurora at Prairie



## 5 Month Update

### ➤ Accomplishments

#### **A2 STEAM K-8**

- Lots of work has been done via the SRTS grant including enforcement & sidewalk gap replacements
- Future upgrades:
  - Stop bars and Stop Here for Pedestrian signs at Barton Dr. entrance of school
  - Ramp and crosswalk installation at Peach & John A. Woods Dr.



## 5 Month Update

### ➤ Accomplishments

#### **Dicken Elementary School**

Requests to City:

- Crosswalk on Dicken Dr.
- Bump-outs to narrow crossing and address chronic parking encroachment on crosswalk at:
  - Waltham Dr.
  - Warwick Ct.
  - Runnymede at school entrance







## 5 Month Update

### ➤ Accomplishments

#### **Orange Flag Crossing Program**

- Burns Park Elementary School
- Working with City to develop agreement to implement across the district





## 5 Month Update

- **Future Site Visits/Assessments for 2018 school year:**
  - Lawton Elementary School
  - Mitchell Elementary School
  - Scarlett Middle School
  - Carpenter Elementary School  
Pittsfield Twp.
  
- **Future Impacts of Developments:**
  - North side of Ann Arbor



## 5 Month Update

### ➤ Connect with community groups:

- A2 Transport
- Washtenaw Bike and Walk Coalition
- Safe Kids
- State Safe Routes to School Program

### ➤ Participated in:

- Washtenaw Bicycle Alliance Summit



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