Spring ISD Safety and Security Measures

Spring ISD Police Department

- The Spring ISD Police Department operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year with the help of 42 full-time and three part-time, licensed police officers and a search dog.
- Some officers are assigned to schools, patrol duties or communications, while others work as incident investigators and truancy or canine officers.
- Fourteen officers are trained in Advance Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training.

Incident Management Systems and Emergency Response Plans

- Each campus has an Incident Command System for handling emergencies. The system is based on the National Incident Management System (NIMS).
- Every campus has an emergency response plan and team in place that is site-specific for their campus. The plan is updated annually at the beginning of the school year.
  - This includes detailed emergency response plans for 38 of the most common incidents that might happen within our district or area and how to respond to identified incidents. In addition, it includes a student and parent reunification plan with a formal process that accounts for students.
- Every occupiable room has a crisis flip chart that contains emergency numbers and instructions for handling the ten most likely emergency situations.
- Every campus has a safety officer, generally an assistant principal, who has been trained annually to handle emergency situations.
- The District has an emergency plan and key administrators have copies of the plan.
- A districtwide safety committee meets at least twice annually to address safety concerns.
- A safety/security audit is conducted by an external auditor every three years.

Secure Access Entryways

- Spring ISD facilities have secure access entryways located at the front of the schools. When a visitor enters the front of the school, they first must check in at the receptionist desk before a second door is unlocked for them to enter the main campus.

Raptor V-Soft Visitor Tracking

- All visitors are required to check in at the receptionist’s desk when they enter a Spring ISD campus or facility.
- Visitors are asked to submit their driver’s license or photo identification for scanning via the Raptor V-Soft visitor tracking system.
- Once the visitor’s license has been scanned, a photo name tag is printed and must be worn by the visitor while they are on campus.
- V-soft quickly identifies whether the visitor is a registered sex offender.
Only after the visitor has been cleared through the system are they admitted through the locked, secure-access, interior door.

This process helps school administrators know who may still be on their campus in case the school has to be evacuated for any reason.

When visitors leave the campus, they are asked to return their name tag to the receptionist.

**Surveillance Cameras**

- Over 2,300 cameras monitor campus activity 24 hours a day. Activity captured by the cameras can be viewed on monitors in the Police Department Communications Center and at campuses.

**RFID Identification Badges**

- Radio Frequency Identification student ID badges are used at secondary campuses, which include four high schools and seven middle schools.
- RFID readers situated throughout each secondary campus are used to identify where students are located in the building for safety and attendance reporting.
- RFID identifies the whereabouts of students during a fire drill and/or emergency.

**Anonymous Reporting Systems**

- Talk About It, is an online anonymous tip line that is available on all campus websites.
- Students and parents may contact Crime Stoppers at 713-222-TIPS (8477) or online at [www.Crime-Stoppers.org](http://www.Crime-Stoppers.org).

**Safety Drills**

- Fire drills, mandated by the state, are conducted monthly.
- Spring ISD campuses are expected to conduct lockdown drills within the first six weeks of each semester and practice shelter-in-place procedures each semester.