



Vision:
100% Student Success

Mission:
"Educate and prepare each student for college, career and life."

July 24, 2018

Mr. Kenneth T. Welch
Pinellas County Commission Chair
315 Court Street
Clearwater, FL 33756

Dear Commissioner Welch:

On behalf of Pinellas County Schools (PCS), I am pleased to extend this letter of commitment for the Pinellas County Commission's application for funds under the 2018 COPS Office STOP School Violence: School Violence Prevention Program (SVPP).

The district understands it cannot practice for every health and safety incident which may arise, but can be prepared for emergencies through planning, prevention, and training. In the wake of the tragic shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, PCS is more committed than ever to promote school safety and enhanced coordination between PCS and local law enforcement. The goal of the Pinellas SVPP to improve school security through evidence-based school safety interventions directly aligns with our strategic direction of learning in a safe environment.

PCS will deploy a centralized and automated lockdown system in each Pinellas school, which will provide first responders and law enforcement interactive access to live information during the event of an active shooter or other emergency incident.

If awarded, Pinellas County Schools will contribute \$162,788.40 in matching funds toward this system, using district capital outlay funds.

This strategic partnership between PCS and the Pinellas County Commission for improved school safety is critical to comprehensive school safety planning efforts in Pinellas. PCS is fully committed.

Sincerely,

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