

Holly Academy

School Security

History

- In the 2004/2005 school year, Ms. Kildee received training from the Department of Homeland Security
- HA began having lockdown drills in the spring of that year
- At that time the DHS suggested if you have middle school students in your school, conduct the drills without students present
- For several years we practiced lockdown drills several times per school year with no students present
- Last school year, Ms. Kildee met again with the Department of Homeland Security and at that time was advised to have lockdown drills with students present
- Last year we had a drill with students present in the spring
- We have not had a drill as of yet, this year (always think that there's time)

History (cont'd)

- Doors are locked – magnets in the doorways
- Fifth grade portables have locked doors
- Fourth grade inside classroom doors are locked
- When blueprints were drawn up for the new wing, attention was given to creating a secure entrance (office in front of building)
- One alarm company came out prior to break to give us an estimate on a “card swipe” system for the portables, the east “office door”, the east door where the 5th graders enter for the restroom, and the K/1 building
- We are getting another estimate today
- We are also checking into a “panic button” system that contacts the police
- On Jan 9th, Ms. Kildee, Mr. Kander, and Mr. Bartlett will attend a webinar on school safety

Upcoming Security Improvements

Completely locked down campus:

- Portables and K/1 secure with “card-reader” entrance systems
- All doors in main building locked (two doors accessible with card-readers)

Culture

It is our desire to create a safe campus. We will use reasonable measures to achieve this goal.

* If you would like to see our lockdown drill procedure, please ask in the office.