

## **SAFETY/SECURITY FOR THE ACADEMY OF MOORE COUNTY (TAMC)**

As we begin a new school year, we have had a number of people ask “what is TAMC doing to make sure our children are safe/secure?” In light of the many school incidents around the country, we (The Board of Directors, the School Administration and our Teachers) want to assure you that we are well prepared to meet any situations that may arise.

Over the past year, we have been taking the steps to make sure our children, staff and parents will be as safe as possible when on campus. We have installed security cameras; we have provided lock-down devices for the classrooms; we have trained our teachers/staff in the steps to take if we have an incident; and we have developed a Master Security Plan for TAMC and will be constantly updating it as situations evolve. Many of the steps we have taken are not visible, and that is on purpose – we do not want to broadcast all that we have done.

Within the next week, you will see another door being installed in the vestibule of the school. The purpose will be to prevent direct entry into the school from the main entrance. All people coming to the school will have to go into the front office, sign in, obtain a Visitors Badge and then be buzzed into the main part of the school.

We formed a TAMC Safety/Security Committee last year. That group has been working with Moore County Sheriff’s Office and Aberdeen Police Department to conduct Threat and Vulnerability Assessments of our campus. With the on-going construction this year, we will have a new set of parameters to work with. Please rest assured that we have the safety and security of our students, faculty/staff and parents foremost in our minds.

If you would like to be a part of the TAMC Safety/Security Committee, please let us know – call the school and offer your name, phone number and e-mail and we will get back with you shortly.

As always, no one person has all the answers. Safety and Security is everyone’s responsibility. Together, we will provide the best atmosphere for our students to learn in.

**If you SEE SOMETHING – SAY SOMETHING!**