Coweta County Schools
An Ongoing Safety Approach
**2011 Challenges:** Mental Health Services, Open High School Campuses, MTSS Staffing, Drill/Drill/Drill, Social Media

**THEN**
- Relationships / Climate Focus
- SROs @ Middle and 2 SROs @ Each HS
- Ongoing Work with Juvenile Court
- RTI and Intervention Emphasis
- School Nurse in All Schools
- Increased Mental Health Focus
- School Entry Audit and Review
- Lockdown System Piloted
- Discipline Process Development
- Surveillance Camera Audit
- Campus Traffic Safety Audits
- Emergency Plan Development with Safety Committee
- Workers Comp. Claim Reviews
- Ongoing Facility Review / Audit
- Bus Safety / Audit Review
- Social Media Awareness & Training

**NOW**
- PBIS, CIS, Mentors & Advocates
- 35 Full-time SROs @ all schools
- Full-time Juvenile Court Liaison
- MTSS - Ongoing Implementation
- School Nurse in All Schools
- Full-time Mental Health Coord.
- Secure Lobby @ Middle / Elem.*
- Lockdown System at 17 Schools
- System Wide PBIS
- 2+ Million Camera Upgrade*
- 1+ Million Traffic Safety Imp.
- Annual Tabletop with First Responders and Safety Plan Review / Sign Off
- Safety Tip of the Week
- Mechanical Closet of the Month
- GPS and AC Bus Initiative
- Go Guardian and Tip Lines
- Continuous Training and Ongoing Safety Committee

**Ms. Mary Cousins - Juvenile Court Liaison**
**Ms. Ruth Scott - Mental Health Coordinator**
**Mr. Evan Horton - Assistant Superintendent of Student Services and Safety**
**Gina Weathersby - Communities in Schools**
**Denise Milam - MTSS Coordinator**
**Ronnie Cheek - Director of Facilities**
Safety is as simple as A, B, C
Always Be Careful

LIFTING DO’S & DON’TS

DO LIFT AS A TEAM
Do lift bulky or heavy loads as a team. Doing so is smart and the safe way to work.

DO TURN WITH LEGS
Do move your legs and feet when turning or lowering the load. Avoid twisting your waist.

DO USE YOUR LEGS
Do lift the load using your powerful leg and buttocks muscles. Your feet should be wide apart, head and back upright. Keep abdominal muscles tight and the load in close.

DO USE EQUIPMENT
Do use equipment like hand trucks, dollies, or forklifts to do the heavy lifting. It’s much less work and less risk of injury.

DON’T LIFT BULKY LOADS ALONE
Don’t lift bulky or heavy loads alone. Doing so puts great stress on your low back muscles and spine.

DON’T TWIST WHEN LIFTING
Don’t twist when lifting, lowering or carrying any load as this increases your risk of back injury.

DON’T USE YOUR BACK
Don’t lift the load with your rear and high and your load low. Use your leg muscles, not your weaker low back muscles.

DON’T LIFT HEAVY LOADS
Don’t lift heavy loads when you can use equipment. It is less work and less stress on your low back.

A Safe Workplace Is No Accident
Check:

- Fire Escapes / Secondary Egress
- Power Strips / Extension Cords
- Fuel Load on Walls
- Clutter in Work Rooms
  - and on
  - Classroom
  - Shelves
- Mechanical and Data Closets

Inspect and sweep closets the first working day of each month.

Electrical Closet of the Month...

Congratulations and a big thank you to...

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We believe, as a learning community, we must continuously improve.