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Student Problem Solvers Present School Security Ideas to Sheriff, School Administrators

Sheriff Rick Staly, School Resource Deputies, and Flagler Schools Administrators met with the student-led Community Problem Solvers at Flagler Palm Coast High School (FPC) on Wednesday to discuss a proactive plan designed by the students to increase safety on school campuses.



From left: Flagler Schools Executive Director of Teaching and Learning Diane Dyer, SRD Christopher Alecrim, FPC Principal Robert Wallace, SRD Jason Williams, Gabrielle Jackson, Sydni Leon, Katia Martynuk, Flagler Schools Superintendent James Tager, Sheriff Rick Staly, William Patten, Abbigail Carver, Nicholas Blumengarten, FCSO Director of Domestic Homeland Security Randall Stroud, Flagler School Board Safety Consultant Winnie Oden, Ms. Diane Tomko, and Assistant Principal Nathan Lovelette.

The plan, developed by the students, included a survival kit, first aid training for teachers, drones to monitor the school's perimeter, a short safety video, and employment of FCSO K-9 deputies to conduct random patrols at the school.

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“You don’t have to hire K-9’s; we will provide them,” Sheriff Staly immediately responded to the students’ idea. “I commend you for implementing your vision and creating the emergency kits. I look forward to incorporating your suggestions.”

Sheriff Staly offered to provide the K-9 patrols to FPC and assigned FCSO Director of Domestic Homeland Security Randall Stroud to work with the school and Superintendent Tager to make the student’s vision a reality.

“We appreciate what you are doing and fully support the K-9 patrols and the survival kits,” said Flagler Schools Superintendent James Tager.

The team of six students shared pictures from a drone they tested over the FPC campus that could be used in the event of an emergency situation. They explained and showed each attendee the survival kit they designed containing items for use in case students were injured in an active killer incident on campus.



FPC Survival Kit

The survival kit included latex gloves, gauze, tape and tampons. “Our fire science academy taught us a tampon can be used to restrict bleeding in a bullet wound,” one of the Problem Solvers noted during the presentation.

“It is unfortunate that these students must worry about critical incidents on school campuses, but it is also refreshing to see that these students are envisioning innovative and practical ideas to ensure the safety of themselves, their fellow students, and their teachers,” Sheriff Staly said. “I’m proud of the work they have done and I look forward to working alongside them and the School District as we continue to improve security on our campuses.”

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