To the Parents of the Alamo Eagles,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents that attended the Coffee with the Principal Thursday morning (continued Friday morning for those parents that attended the 2nd grade field trip Thursday). We had an extremely productive meeting that focused on safety measures at Alamo, specifically, those measures that deal with intruders on campus. While at times a difficult conversation (we’re all parents and thinking in worst-case scenario is often troubling...), we were able to identify campus and personnel concerns and brainstorm some fantastic ideas to improve Alamo safety.

**Concerns Identified:**

Windows (specifically, kindergarten windows and door windows)
Campus is easily accessible
Teacher/staff responses
Locked vs unlocked doors
No law enforcement presence
Communication to staff/students notifying of a situation

**Proactive Measures:**

Peacebuilder/Character Development Programs
Stranger Danger trainings
Intruder responses trainings (staff/students)
Self-defense trainings (staff)
Parent Meetings/Communications (Alamo safety procedures, gate timetables, safety nights)
Parent volunteers: Campus supervision
Fence (continue the fence slats project for increased safety)
Open the site for Police Training on non-school days
Police presence at irregular times (temporary operations center?)
Window coverings
Door protocols/changes (peep windows in portables?)
Camera system
Signs (Door=No Badge, No Entry, Sidewalk=All Visitors Must Report to the Main Office, Restrooms=No Adults Allowed in Restrooms)
Badges for staff, frequent volunteers

**Reactive Measures:**

Panic buttons/special alarm sounds
After action plan with VV PD
Communication system with staff, parents, and 1st responders (email drive)
Detailed response guide for staff

Many of these measures may be slightly confusing without a detailed explanation, but I am excited by the ideas presented in this meeting. I will be meeting with the staff on Wednesday, January 30 to discuss these ideas and to get their input. I would then like to wrap up the meeting process with an evening meeting for all Alamo community members on February 7th at 7 PM in the evening. This will give all parents that were unable to attend the Coffee with the Principal a chance to voice their concerns and ideas. All of these concerns and ideas will be incorporated into this year's Alamo Safe School Plan and will be presented to the Superintendent for consideration.

I hope that you will be able to join us on February 7th at 7 PM in the Alamo Multi-Purpose Room for the discussion.

Thank you,

Derek Wickliff
Alamo Principal