

Maryland Center for School Safety

MISSION

To promote and enhance safer school communities.

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Safe schools: inclusive educational environments free from fear, harm, trauma, and unnecessary hardship.

KEY GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Goal 1. Promote safer schools by coordinating school safety activities and outreach efforts at the State level.

Obj. 1.1 Provide training opportunities for local school systems to maintain and strengthen their abilities to enhance school safety.

Performance Measures	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Number of school safety courses hosted	77	134	111	113	37	87	79
Number of participants attending hosted school safety training	3,950	4,250	5,266	4,577	5,478	5,107	5,054

Obj. 1.2 Increase digital outreach to Maryland schools, State and local government, and community organizations.

Performance Measures	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Average number of monthly unique website visitors	1,260	1,771	2,674	2,432	2,916	2,674	2,674
Number of total followers for all social media platforms	2,723	3,362	4,237	4,646	7,211	5,365	5,741
Total social media engagements for all platforms	16,992	26,862	56,922	36,137	145,242	90,690	117,966

Obj. 1.3 Promote school bus safety to reduce stop-arm violations.

Performance Measures	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Number of bus safety outreach activities	-	4	5	6	9	7	7
Number of violations of school bus stop arms (MSDE)	N/A	3,008	2,436	1,853	1,648	1,979	1,827

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Obj. 1.4 Ensure every public school has an assigned school resource officer (SRO) or adequate local law enforcement coverage.

Performance Measures	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Number of public schools (MSDE)	1,449	1,427	1,421	1,424	1,421	1,422	1,422
Number of public schools with assigned SRO	328	291	273	288	278	280	282
Number of SROs that completed the SRO Training Academy In-service training	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	485	485	485
Number of School Security Employees (SSE) that completed the SRO Training Academy In-service training	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	769	769	769
Number of SROs and SSEs that completed the SRO Training Academy	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	173	173	173

Obj. 1.5 Engage more students, parents, and community members with the Safe Schools Anonymous Reporting System (SSMD).

Performance Measures	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Percentage of public, private, and non-public schools in the State of Maryland that are members of the SSMD	87%	83%	89%	89%	88%	89%	89%
Total number of tips received through the SSMD	148	768	927	923	1,231	1,027	1,060
Closure rate of tips received through the SSMD	73%	83%	86%	90%	93%	90%	91%
Number of SSMD training and outreach activities.	24	47	106	26	46	59	44