

# School Safety & Security Partnership Program

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School districts all over the country are working hard to upgrade the security of their facilities to ensure the safety of students and staff. Many times the focus of these upgrades is locks because they are 'easy' to replace and immediately improve security on critical doors. Doorways throughout the facility are candidates to be upgraded, including:

- Exterior doors, to help secure the perimeter from intrusion
- Administrative areas, such as the office and library
- Classrooms, which are used as safe havens in an emergency

And while hardware upgrades seem like a quick fix, they must not be taken lightly; if wrong or inferior product is installed it may negate the time and money spent to upgrade the security of the facility, and jeopardize the safety of the occupants of the building. Consider:

- Each facility has a 'standard' for hardware: typically the type and manufacturer of the locks and key system is set during the building design process
- Quality matters: strength and durability are paramount in abusive environments like schools - independent, third party witnessed testing ensures hardware operates above and beyond industry standards - insist on it!
- Code compliance: ADA, life safety and fire codes must all be met to ensure the safety of occupants



## Respect the Standard

When a school is originally outfitted, the architect and school district evaluate the needs of the facility and select a key system and hardware based on those requirements. All changes made to the school from that point forward ideally follow the standard that was set.

A school's master key system is in fact a system; there is a hierarchy in the facility that dictates which key will open what door(s). Maintaining the existing standard ensures that the locks and keys were designed to work together, ensuring reliable and carefree operation. Following an existing hardware standard is just as important. There are many reasons for this:

- Quality and grade of the hardware will be consistent throughout the building
- Maintenance personnel can stock replacement parts for one manufacturer instead of many, reducing cost and storage space required
- Functionality of locks across openings will be consistent, eliminating confusion in an emergency about how to secure the lock
- Assurance that hardware has been tested properly and meets original quality specs
- Little to no additional prep is needed to the door and/or frame when retrofitting, minimizing labor needed and maintaining the structural integrity of opening as a system

Sometimes, when upgrades are unplanned and not budgeted, it is tempting to install products that do not follow the original hardware standard because of urgency or price considerations. But respecting the original standard is the only way to ensure that the quality and compatibility of the locks is consistent, and that helps protect students and staff.

## Leading Brands, Quality Products

With the abusive nature of the school environment, the quality of the hardware used to increase security is very important. ASSA ABLOY Group brands Corbin Russwin, SARGENT and Yale have provided countless school districts with Grade 1 locking hardware over the years, and continue to lead the industry in independent 3rd party witnessed testing that goes above and beyond.

In addition to offering reliable and durable locks, ASSA ABLOY Group brands offer school specific functionality to help increase the safety and security of your classroom, administrative and perimeter doors. These solutions include:

- Visual indicators on classroom locks for easy determination if the door is secure
- Locks and exit devices that are lockable from inside so staff do not have to put themselves in harm's way to secure the door
- Standalone and networked access control locks that can be locked remotely from within the room, or from a central location

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## Experts in School Security

Upgrading the hardware in schools requires an understanding of hardware standards, the importance of quality hardware, and the options available to secure the facility. ASSA ABLOY, its team of security professionals and distribution partners can provide the expertise needed to help.

Our Door Security Solutions team offers a complimentary Security Assessment to evaluate schools and determine what needs to be done to improve. This includes evaluating current security policies, assessing each opening and its hardware, and preparing a go-forward plan.

In addition, our distribution network is staffed with personnel trained on ASSA ABLOY Group brand products. These valued channel partners stock our quality hardware and can provide local expertise and resources, without breaking the budget.

For more information or to contact your local Door Security Solutions office.



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ASSA ABLOY Door Security Solutions provides end-users with unsurpassed security and life-safety solutions, and the essential support services to ensure well-functioning doorway systems. This is all accomplished by combining the strengths of industry-leading door and hardware brands. Contact your local Door Security Solutions team for assistance.

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