



**Safety Review, Evaluation  
and Improvement process**

The West Linn-Wilsonville School District utilizes a three-tiered approach to updating and improving school safety and security. The district is guided by national safety/security consultant Elert and Associates (Tier III), who makes recommendations for safety implementation. Elert recommendations go to the District Safety Leadership Team (Tier II), who reviews and evaluates safety measures and district procedures. District Safety Leadership Team directives are then communicated and implemented at the Tier I (school building) level. There, school staffs regularly review and practice safety procedures.

## Tier II – District Safety Leadership Team

Tier II is made up of district administrators who regularly meet throughout the school year to review and evaluate district safety/security with guidance from Tier III. This group determines district-wide improvements, how resources will be allocated and utilized, time lines for improvement plans, and review of the Emergency Operations Plan. Tier II includes community partners such as West Linn, Wilsonville and Clackamas County Police, Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue, and other community responders who meet bi-annually. Tier II is responsible for communicating updates to Tier I teams.

## Tier III – Consultant Guidance (Elert and Associates)

Tier III guides all district decisions related to safety and security. Tier III consists of Elert and Associates, a national safety and security consultant that regularly reviews West Linn-Wilsonville district and school security measures and safety practices. Elert and Associates reviews and ensures that WLWV is using best practices, has top facility safety features, and is in compliance with state and national standards, FEMA procedures, homeland security, and more. Elert and Associates conducts thorough audits, which provide the baseline for the district Emergency Operations Plan while influencing ongoing and future safety improvements.

## Tier I – District Safety Committee/School Response Teams

Tier I implements directives given at the Tier II level. Tier I is made up of the District Safety Committee, which is a representative group that proactively reviews current practices and procedures, responding to district safety concerns in the district. Tier I also encompasses safety and security at the school level. This Includes School Emergency Response Teams (principals, secretaries, counselors, teachers, and first aid-trained staff). School teams convene regularly to review safety procedures and processes, and aid in the practicing of those processes.

