

Proposal: Quick Response School Safety Fund

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If a school has a need to strengthen a safety plan no extra funds are available for the school. Although money for support can come from student weighted funding this doesn't help if a family doesn't agree to an IEP. If there was a fund set up in the BPS safety department that schools could tap into quickly when needed, that would be helpful for addressing immediate safety issues. One use of this fund would be to add an additional teacher or para to a classroom. Another use of this fund could be to pay for non-assigned bus monitors. Perhaps the fund could be part of the safety department or "Welcoming schools, safe schools" group.