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Dear Armada Area School Families,

Happy New Year! I wanted to inform the school community that the district now has safety staff in all four buildings. A brief bio on each safety staff member is below.

Tim Woelkers - Director of Student Safety. Tim is a former high school principal and teacher. Prior to working in education, he spent 28 years in police work retiring as the Director of Public Safety for the City of Center Line. Tim has directed the Armada PAL Camp for the past 38 summers. He has a Master's Degree in Education Administration and is a graduate of the FBI National Academy. Tim has grandchildren who attend Krause Elementary.

Gerry Churilla - Safety Officer, High School. Gerry is a 20-year veteran of police work. Gerry worked over 10 years as a detective handling juvenile cases and retired with the rank of Lieutenant from the Center Line Department of Public Safety. Also, Gerry worked six years in school security at East Detroit Public Schools.

Michael Hughes - Safety Officer, Macomb Academy of Arts & Sciences. Michael has 14 years of experience with the Department of Homeland Security which includes training in active shooter response. Also, Michael has worked in municipal law enforcement for three years. Michael's son attends Krause Elementary and his wife Anne is a member of the Armada teaching staff.

Carmelo Portaro - Safety Officer, Krause Elementary. Carmelo has 25 years of experience with the Shelby Twp. Police Department. He retired with the rank of Lieutenant. Carmelo lives in the Armada community and has a grandson who attends Armada High School.

Burton Hulett - Safety Officer, Middle School. Burton has 26 years of experience with St. Clair Shores Police Department. He served five years as a School Resource Officer at Lakeview Public Schools. Burton has a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from Lake Superior State University. Burton lives in the Armada community with two school-age children who attend Krause Elementary. Also, he is a proud graduate of Armada High School, Class of 1989.

Safety is our highest priority in the district. We are fortunate to have the above staff. If you have any questions, ideas, or concerns, my door is open. I can be reached by phone at 586-784-2112.

Sincerely,



Michael G. Musary, Ed.S.
Superintendent of Schools

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