Safety & Security at GMPS

Thoughtful systems. Prepared adults. Safer classrooms.

Safety is built in layers.
Safety at GMPS is not one locked door, one policy, or one piece of equipment. We use multiple layers of protection - physical security, prepared adults, active supervision, emergency planning, and clear communication - so children can focus on being children.

Five Layers of Safety at GMPS

1 Secure Environment	2 Prepared Adults	3 Active Supervision	4 Emergency Readiness	5 Continuous Review
Controlled access protects the building, preschool wing, and classroom areas.	Staff training, certifications, drills, and clearly defined responsibilities.	Teachers stay alert, account for children, and anticipate risks throughout the day.	Supplies, hard copy rosters, communication plans, and evacuation procedures.	We review, practice, and improve our procedures with local first responders.

$118,000 Invested in School Safety

GMPS received approximately $118,000 through the IEMA Non-profit Security Grant, allowing us to make substantial improvements to the physical security of our preschool and the larger building. The project was designed to create multiple layers of protection rather than depend on any single security measure.

Layered controlled access

✓ Electronic access control at exterior doors throughout the building

✓ Controlled access at the entrances to the preschool wing

✓ Higher-security replacement doors at preschool-wing entrances and classroom doors

✓ Additional secured interior access points, including shared spaces

Visitor & emergency systems

✓ Camera-equipped doorbell system so visitors can be identified before entry

✓ Panic buttons in classrooms and the preschool office

✓ Security window film on glass doors and adjacent glass panels

✓ Additional locks that create layers of security before reaching the preschool area

Prepared Adults Matter

Security equipment is only one part of a strong safety plan. GMPS teachers maintain training and certifications that prepare them to respond to everyday injuries as well as more serious emergencies.

CPR + First Aid	Stop the Bleed	2 AEDs	GPD + GFD
GMPS teachers are CPR and First Aid certified.	Teachers are trained to respond to severe bleeding while emergency help is on the way.	Two automated external defibrillators are available in the building.	Annual training with Glenview Police and Fire helps us review and strengthen our procedures.

At our 2026 annual safety training, GPD and GFD personnel gave GMPS an "A+" for our safety protocols and policies. We are proud of that feedback - and we continue looking for ways to improve.

Prepared Even When Normal Systems Are Down

Emergency planning has to work even if technology or cell service does not. Each classroom has an emergency bag, and GMPS maintains an emergency binder with essential information and procedures.

Each classroom emergency bag includes

- ✓ Current class rosters and photographs of children
- ✓ First-aid and basic safety supplies
- ✓ Information teachers may need if phones or digital systems are unavailable

Our backup planning includes

- ✓ A central emergency binder with procedures and key information
- ✓ Staff roles and practiced emergency routines
- ✓ An off-site evacuation and family reunification plan

If We Ever Need to Evacuate

If an emergency requires us to leave the GMPS campus, families will receive instructions and updates through Brightwheel, including information about where and how children will be reunited with their families.

Please keep Brightwheel notifications turned on and make sure your family contact information is current. In an emergency, Brightwheel is our primary communication tool with enrolled families.

Safety Is Part of Every School Day

Active supervision
Teachers position themselves to see and hear children, scan the environment, and pay particular attention during transitions.

Arrival + dismissal
Our established car-line routines create a predictable handoff directly between families and GMPS staff.

Secure visitor entry
Visitors communicate with the office through our camera-equipped entry system and are identified before access is granted.

We Keep Reviewing, Practicing & Improving

We do not consider a safety plan something that gets written once and put on a shelf. Each year, GMPS reviews our procedures and works with the Glenview Police Department and Glenview Fire Department during staff safety training. Their feedback helps us refine protocols, practice responses, and make improvements as needs and best practices evolve.

No single system is our safety plan. The layers work together.

What Families Can Do

- ✓ Keep Brightwheel notifications turned on.
- ✓ Keep emergency contacts and authorized pickup information current.
- ✓ Follow class-specific arrival and dismissal instructions.
- ✓ Follow Brightwheel instructions if an evacuation or reunification is ever needed.
- ✓ Read school safety communications when they are sent.
- ✓ Ask us if you have questions about a procedure or your child's safety.

The adults take care of the safety so children can concentrate on being children.

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