

Metal Detectors Implementation Committee

Meeting Notes

Date: December 17, 2025

Time: 4:00 PM

Location: Virtual

Attendance

Travis Marshall, Nick Caputo, Christian DePaul, Dani Rule, Michele Goff, Nora Herndon, Austin Journey, and Brandon Stanbery.

Meeting Goal

To examine student arrival logistics, operational needs, and equity impacts in-depth while beginning the formation of operational recommendations.

Projected Implementation Timeline

- **January 14, 2026:** Committee walk-through at E.C. Glass.
- **January 20, 2026:** Implementation begins at E.C. Glass.
- **February 16, 2026:** Implementation begins at Heritage High School.
- **March 9, 2026:** Goal to have both schools through a three-week monitoring and implementation phase.
- **April 3, 2026:** Full system functioning by the start of Spring Break.

Operational Concerns & Training

- **Entry Flow:** E.C. Glass currently uses the same door for both bus and car riders.
- **Phasing Students:** M. Goff suggested starting with smaller groups of students to help them learn the process rather than having the entire student body go through on day one.
- **Safety Training:** Nick Caputo will provide training to staff on what to do if a firearm is discovered.
- **Search Refusal:** If a student refuses the search or the detector, parents will be contacted; the student cannot enter without a search.
- **Infrastructure:** Suggestions were made to prevent students from bypassing the process via the auditorium lobby's swing doors.

Equity & Student Experience

- The committee discussed how to maintain a welcoming climate and ensure the process is non-stigmatizing.
- **Accommodations:** Specific plans are needed for students with medical devices or those using wheelchairs.

Preliminary Recommendations

- Define the number of open lanes required at each building.
- Hire additional temporary staff for the first 1-2 weeks of rollout.
- Develop a contingency plan for inclement weather.