

# Safe Passage

**PREPARED BY**

**Mayor's Office of Children and Family Success**

# About Safe Passage

Baltimore Safe Passage was launched in May 2023 by Mayor Brandon M. Scott as a pilot to increase safety amongst students as they travel to and from school. In its first year, Safe Passage was operated by the Mayor's Office of Children and Family Success (MOCFS), Baltimore City Public School System (BCPSS), the Mayor's Office of Community Affairs (formerly Mayor's Office of Neighborhoods), Mayor's Office of Neighborhood and Safety Engagement (MONSE), Mayor's Office of African American Male Engagement (MOAAME), Capitol Police, Mondawmin Management, and the Maryland Transit Administration Police (MTA).

# About Safe Passage | How it works

Each school day, Safe Passage Community Partners meet at their designated zones to monitor student traffic as they move to and from school. Partners help to maintain peace and safety among students and communities as well as engage with students to offer them resources and supports.

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CBOs

**4-6**

Staff assigned to each school



Safe passage partners are easily identified by orange vests.

# Collaboration

## **MOCFS**

Dr. Debra Y. Brooks, Executive Director

Janelle Penney, Chief of Staff

Ariel Giles, Chief of Policy and Partnerships

Andrea Curley, Community Liaison

## **City Schools**

Chief Jeffrey Shorter

School Leadership

## **BPD**

Deputy Commissioner Kevin Jones

Deputy Chief of Community Policing Sarah Ritter

The Safe Passage funding source of \$923,000 comes from the **Family League of Baltimore.**

# Safe Passage Schools

Patterson High School 7:00 am - 9:00 am and 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Northern Campus: Reginald F. Lewis High School, Achievement Academy, and Success Academy 7:00 am - 9:00 am and 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Digital Harbor High School 7:00 am - 9:00 am and 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Academy for College and Career Exploration (ACCE) 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Carver Vocational Technical High School 7:00 am - 9:00 am and 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Frederick Douglass High School 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Edmondson-Westside High School 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Mergenthaler High School (MERVO) 7:00 am - 9:00 am and 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Paul Laurence Dunbar Community High School 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

National Academy Foundation (NAF) 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Benjamin Franklin High School at Masonville Cove 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Walter P. Carter Elementary/Middle School 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm



# Reported Incidents | ½ Mile Radius

This data combines incidents across all categories: assault, rape, robbery and shootings.

School	August – December 2023	August – December 2024	Change (2024 - 2023)
Academy for College and Career Exploration	2	1	-1
Benjamin Franklin High at Masonville Cove	2	0	-2
Carver Vocational-Technical High	3	2	-1
Digital Harbor High	1	3	2
Edmondson-Westside High	5	2	-3
Frederick Douglass High	2	2	0
Mergenthaler Vocational-Technical High	8	4	-4
Northern Campus (Reginald F Lewis, Success Academy, Achievement Academy)	0	1	1
Patterson High	0	0	0
Paul Laurence Dunbar High	8	9	1
Walter P. Carter Elementary/Middle	2	0	-2

\* Crime Data received from Office of Performance and Innovation

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School	August – December 2023	August – December 2024	Change 2024 - 2023
Academy for College and Career Exploration	3	2	-1
Benjamin Franklin High at Masonville Cove	5	1	-4
Carver Vocational-Technical High	10	7	-3
Digital Harbor High	1	4	3
Edmondson-Westside High	5	3	-2
Frederick Douglass High	2	2	0
Mergenthaler Vocational-Technical High	13	9	-4
Northern Campus (Reginald F Lewis, Success Academy, Achievement Academy)	4	2	-2
Patterson High	2	0	-2
Paul Laurence Dunbar High	9	13	4
Walter P. Carter Elementary/Middle	11	4	-7

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# Measured Outcomes

- Decrease in reported incidents of violent crime within 1 mile radius of the school.
- Increase in student attendance.
- Decrease in resident business calls for service.

# Touch Points

## **Safe Passage First Quarter Meeting**

Monday, November 4, 2024

## **Safe Passage Mid-Year Check-in**

Monday, December 16, 2024 - Friday, December 20, 2024

## **Professional Development: Communications**

Thursday, January 23, 2025

## **Safe Passage Third Quarter Meeting**

Friday, March 28, 2025

## **End of Year Wrap-up**

June 2025

# Touch Points

## **Monthly**

Safe Passage Reporting Form

## **Ongoing/As Needed**

Safe Passage Incident Form

# Glows



**We participate at Community Association meetings where they have discussed how the students are moving swiftly through the community. I believe they are now feeling comfortable due to the school staff and Safe Passage staff has been consistent, friendly and open.**

**- Frederick Douglass High School**

**We have observed a decrease in incidents, attributed to our strong presence in the community.**

**- ACCE**

**Community Members are excited to have the Safe Passage team there and said we have made a major different this year as it relates to being pro-active for crime, student altercations destruction of property, and loitering.**

**- Patterson High School**

**Students no longer hangout, shoot dice, gamble, use illegal substances in these areas.**

**- Northern Campus**

**The Safe Passage team worked with school administration to address a student being denied entry to an MTA bus, ensuring better handling of such situations for student safety and community harmony. The focus was on guiding students toward more respectful and responsible behavior.**

**- Digital Harbor High School**

# Grows

- Based on quantitative and qualitative data, there continues to be a need for Safe Passage in areas around other schools.
- Individuals who frequent areas around the school, but are not affiliated with the school, continue to be present around dismissal.
- Better communication systems.
- Provide opportunities to engage with community associations.



**Questions?**