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## NEWS RELEASE

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## **KIMBERLY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFERED \$180K IN STATE SAFETY GRANT FUNDING**

**Kimberly, Wis. – July 10, 2018** – The safety of students and staff within the [Kimberly Area School District](#) (KASD) is a top priority. Today, the District was notified that they are being offered \$180K toward the safety grant application they submitted to the state.

KASD continuously evaluates practices and facilities to make them safer. In addition to ongoing evaluation and training related to many aspects of school safety, the District recently had the [Wisconsin School Safety Coordinators Association](#) (WSSCA) conduct a comprehensive assessment at all facilities for school safety. Based on the recommendations from WSSCA and District leaders, the grant proposal was drafted to identify and prioritize projects that increase school safety.

The grant funds would provide for upgrades to the following safety features within the Kimberly Area School District:

- Security camera systems to increase video footage storage capacity, image quality and coverage.
- Entrances at the schools updated to a buzz-in system for visitors that uses a video intercom master station.
- Electronic key fobs for staff to access to District facilities.
- Upgrading the last of the school classrooms that have hollow core doors to solid core doors.

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In total, 40 Wisconsin schools and districts were part of this round of grants awarded for a total of over \$2.8 million. The Department of Justice (DOJ) had \$100 million in grants available through the School Safety Initiative for Wisconsin school building improvements and staff training. Additional information is available from the DOJ's Office of School Safety at <http://www.doj.state.wi.us/office-school-safety/school-safety-grants>.

### **About the Kimberly Area School District**

The Kimberly Area School District is a progressive public school district committed to providing the best possible education available to students. Its responsibility is to help lead the way in developing well-rounded students and future citizens. The District wants every student to be given the opportunity to reach their potential through academics, the arts and co-curricular activities. It encompasses approximately 17 square miles and serves over 5,100 students in one 4K center, four elementary schools (5K-4), two intermediate schools (5-6), one middle school (7-8) and one high school (9-12). To learn more about the Kimberly Area School District, call (920)788-7900 or visit [www.kimberly.k12.wi.us](http://www.kimberly.k12.wi.us).