

**Table 238. Public Schools Using Selected Safety and Security Measures, by School Characteristics: 2003–04**

[In percent. Based on survey of principals or persons knowledgeable about discipline issues at the school. Refers only to those times during normal school hours or when school activities or events were in session. Based on the School Survey on Crime and Safety and subject to sampling error; for details see source]

Measure	All public schools	School level <sup>1</sup>				Enrollment size			
		Primary	Middle	High school	Combined	Less than 300 students	300 to 499 students	500 to 999 students	1,000 or more students
Limited access during school hours:									
Buildings (locked or monitored doors) . . . . .	83.0	84.0	86.7	78.9	73.3	77.7	85.8	84.2	82.6
Grounds (locked or monitored gates) . . . . .	36.2	36.8	35.7	38.3	28.9	30.4	34.1	37.3	50.4
Visitor requirements:									
Sign-in or check-in . . . . .	98.3	98.0	99.6	98.4	97.2	94.2	99.8	99.4	99.6
Pass through metal detectors . . . . .	0.9	0.3	1.8	2.6	(S)	(S)	<sup>2</sup> 0.3	1.3	3.1
Required to wear badges or picture IDs:									
Students . . . . .	6.4	2.6	11.3	16.1	7.5	<sup>2</sup> 1.8	4.6	6.7	19.6
Faculty and staff . . . . .	48.0	51.6	50.0	41.3	26.7	29.5	50.3	54.9	58.7
Metal detector checks on students:									
Random checks . . . . .	5.6	2.5	10.0	13.0	(S)	<sup>2</sup> 3.3	3.6	6.1	13.7
Require to pass through daily . . . . .	1.1	(S)	2.1	3.7	(S)	(S)	<sup>2</sup> 0.7	1.2	3.1
Sweeps and technology:									
Random dog sniffs to check for drugs <sup>3</sup> . . . . .	21.3	4.6	39.7	58.6	43.5	18.9	15.9	21.4	39.9
Random sweeps for contraband <sup>3,4</sup> . . . . .	12.8	4.9	23.5	28.2	23.4	13.8	8.3	12.4	23.9
Use security cameras to monitor school <sup>3</sup> . . . . .	36.0	28.5	41.8	60.3	39.1	26.1	35.0	37.5	54.8
Require clear book bags or ban book bags . . . . .	6.2	3.2	12.7	9.0	<sup>2</sup> 8.9	2.7	5.6	8.4	7.7

S Reporting standards not met. <sup>1</sup> Primary schools are defined as schools in which the lowest grade is not higher than grade 3 and the highest grade is not higher than grade 8. Middle schools are defined as schools in which the lowest grade is not lower than grade 4 and the highest grade is not higher than grade 9. High schools are defined as schools in which the lowest grade is not lower than grade 9. Combined schools include all other combinations of grades, including K–12 schools. <sup>2</sup> Interpret with caution. <sup>3</sup> One or more. <sup>4</sup> For example, drugs or weapons. Does not include dog sniffs.