

Rep. Petryk: Local school districts awarded school safety grants

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ELEVA – One of my highest priorities as an elected State Representative is the safety of our children while they are attending school. Attorney General Brad Schimel recently announced the awarding of more than \$10.2 million in safety grants to 147 school districts across Wisconsin. Four school districts in the 93rd Assembly District have been awarded the full amount that they requested.

Durand-Arkansaw: \$42,431

Eleva-Strum: \$42,790

Plum City: \$32,128

Prescott: \$83,729

Other schools in Western Wisconsin such as Alma Center, Cadott and Arcadia also received State funds.

The funds received from these grants are to ensure that our kids have a safe place to learn, school buildings are secure, and that threats may be detected and delayed before entering the school.

This may be achieved by ensuring every classroom has a door lock; ensuring school entrances delay unauthorized ingress; and encouraging schools to adopt practices and policies that detect and delay the entry of unauthorized persons.

These grants are merely the beginning of a series of safety grants that are currently being reviewed and processed by the Wisconsin Department of Justice. We will keep you informed as more grants are awarded to our 93rd Assembly District

schools. It was my honor to enthusiastically vote in favor of up to \$100 million of these grants during our Legislative Session on March 22.

Congratulations to our area public schools for taking the initiative to apply for these School Safety Grants!