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[Preliminary Budget Eliminates Hundreds of Vacant School Safety Agent Positions](#)

The Mayor's Preliminary Budget proposes the elimination of nearly 300 vacant school safety agent positions. This continues reductions made in prior financial plans that result in the cut of 832 such vacant positions since last February. In terms of actual staffing, the number of active school safety agents—police department staff that provide security services in public school buildings—has declined by nearly a quarter since the onset of the pandemic.

IBO explores these changes in budgeted and actual staffing [here](#).

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