

Policy

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SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER PROGRAM

To promote a safe, secure, and supportive school environment, the Board believes it appropriate for the District to have a collaborative relationship with the law enforcement agency (ies) with jurisdiction in the District through a School Resource Officer (SRO) Program.

The SRO Program shall provide appropriate and relevant information, instruction, and resource services to students, teachers, and parents. These services, the Districts, and law enforcement agency's (ies) duties and obligations regarding the SRP Program, shall be set forth in an agreement between the District and the law enforcement agency (ies), including:

- A. Placement of a designed School Resource Officer in specific schools on specific days and times;
- B. Development of positive law enforcement officer/student relationships;
- C. Investigation of alleged violations of law, consistent with the authority and duties of law enforcement officers, that involve student or staff conduct on or off of school property;
- D. Educational presentations/discussions;
- E. Preventative and/or informational discussions with students/parents;
- F. Patrol and supervision of various school functions;
- G. Creation and implementation of crime prevention and safety programs; and
- H. Performance of duties of regular patrol officers that pertain to school resource matters;
- I. A requirement the law enforcement agency (ies) to provide the Board with an annual report regarding the SRO Program. This report shall summarize activities conducted throughout the previous school year and shall include recommendations for the upcoming school year. The Board may request additional updates or reports.

The building principal(s) shall serve as the designated liaisons between the District and the law enforcement agency (ies) and shall oversee the SRO Program as it pertains to the specific building(s). The District and the law enforcement agency (ies) shall collaborate in determining various responsibilities and requirements under the SRO Program, including programming services and development of the school safety plan (See Policy #8420 – School Safety). Any services or activities provided or performed by the law enforcement agency (ies) via the SRO Program shall not serve as a substitute for any responsibilities assigned to District personnel.

Sharing of confidential information and/or student record information with the law enforcement agency (ies) by the District shall fully comply with all relevant statutory provisions and District policies. Use of any devices by any member of the law enforcement agency (ies) to gather or store information in the course of an investigation (e.g., body camera footage) shall be done in full compliance with all law enforcement agency (ies) policies, as well as State and Federal law regarding the use of any such devices.

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Legal References:

968.07(1)(d), (2), Wis. Stats.

165.85(2)(c), Wis. Stats.

121.02(1)(i), Wis. Stats.

120.44, Wis. Stats.

120.13, Wis. Stats.

118.257, Wis. Stats.

118.127, Wis. Stats.

118.125, Wis. Stats

118.001, Wis. Stats.

66.0301, Wis. Stats.

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