COMMUNITY RELATIONS 4405

## School Resource Officers

The District may support the School Resource Officer (SRO) Program. SRO's are local Police Department officers who are assigned to District schools. They assist the District in providing a safe school environment through education, enforcement, and cooperative efforts with school staff, students, parent/guardians, courts, and community service organizations. The aim of this program in the schools is to hold juveniles responsible for their actions and prevent individual problems from developing into patterns of delinquency.

## The objectives of this program shall be:

- 1. The prevention of crime or delinquent behavior;
- The protection of children from violence, criminal attacks, and involvement with law violators and other harmful influences, such as gangs;
- 3. Ensuring friendly contact between District students and law enforcement;
- 4. The provision of assistance and information during times of stress and crisis;
- 5. The education of young people regarding the role of laws, courts, and police in society; and
- 6. Investigation of cases involving juveniles and use of effective alternatives to court whenever possible.

Cross Reference: 3320 Substance and Alcohol Abuse

3330 Student Discipline

Legal Reference: I.C. § 18-3302D Possessing Weapons or Firearms on School Property

New Jersey v. TLO, 469 US 325 (1985)

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