# SCHOOL LAW ENFORCEMENT PARTNERSHIP

# Advisory Committee

Meeting #2 - Building Knowledge July 19, 2022



Meeting Objective: Create a shared learning experience for committee members to deepen their understanding of Police and School Division Relationships.

- I. Check-In (10 min)
- II. Subcommittee Update (20 min)
- III. Policing and Schools Report Review (30 min)
- IV. Small Group Discussions (45 min)
- V. Closing and Next Steps (15 min)

# Mutual Learning Mindset and Behaviors



We go by first names

Curiosity

Transparency

Informed Choice

Accountability; take and make space

Compassion; consider impact of intent

# Mutual Learning Mindset and Behaviors

- State views and ask genuine questions
- Share all relevant information
- Use specific examples and agree on what important words mean
- Explain reasoning and intent
- Focus on interests, not positions
- Test assumptions and inferences
- Jointly design next steps
- Discuss undiscussable issues
- Others?

Agenda

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# SLEP Advisory Group Mission

The mission of the SLEP advisory group is to assist ACPS

leadership, the Superintendent and the School Board in

### reimagining the school law enforcement partnership

with the Alexandria Police Department in order to ensure

### a **positive, safe and equitable school experience** for all

students.

I. Check In

# SLEP Advisory Group High Level Schedule



#### Subcommittee Update II.

#### **Purpose and Goals**

#### Deliverables

Memorandum of Understanding Subcommittee Assist ACPS in completing a comprehensive review of the current Memorandum of Understanding between ACPS and APD to then make

recommendations that will serve to promote an equitable, welcoming and safe learning environment for ACPS students

- Analyze the existing MOU to gain a better understanding
- Review other division MOUs
- Provide recommendations of other sections to be included in the MOU, language that needs to be changed, or areas to be omitted.

#### **Research Subcommittee**

Complete research of other nationwide school law enforcement partnerships in an effort to determine best practices and innovation as it relates to SLEP partnerships.

#### **Communication and Community Outreach Subcommittee**

Develop a line of communication with students, staff and community that will promote awareness and education of the ACPS/APD partnership.

- Provide recommendations on how the administration and operation of the school law enforcement program could improve to meet both stakeholder and safety needs.
- Provide recommendations on how to increase the depth and breadth of community involvement and engagement
- Recommend ways to improve communication of the school law enforcement program externally with community members, internally within ACPS, and jointly between APD and ACPS.
- Guide survey + focus groups of staff, students, community members and parents.

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## Leads Share Out



MOU Subcommittee Research Subcommittee Communications and Community Relations Subcommittee

# SWITCH - <u>SLIDES</u> FROM HANOVER

# **CURRENT** MOU across ACPS and APD

#### Aligned with the minimum functions Figure 1.

Documents the SRO duties an

Identifies partner roles and responsibilities

Prohibits SROs from engaging in school disciplinary inccidents, enforcing school codes of conduct, or addressing typical student behavior that can be safely and appropriately handled by school officials

Defines reporting and data collection requirements

**Requires annual assessment of SROs** 

Provides for effective training on various school-related topics

Outlines supervision of the SRO(s) named in the MOU

Data on law enforcement referrals and court

involvement for students,

disaggregated by race, sex,

sexual orientation, gender

identity, national origin, and disability

#### Figure 1.2: Dat Does not include feedback outside of **VDOE School Climate Survey**

Aligned with the

data to collect\*

Evaluation of all incidents involving SROs

Feedback from SROs. administrators, teachers, students, families, and community members

#### Figure 1.3: Roles of School Resource Officers in a TRIAD Model

Law Enforcer	•School resource officers enforce the law on school properties by addressing any offenses that occur and by maintaining a visible police presence to deter crime.
Educator	Aligned with the
Informal Counselor	TRIAD Model*
Source: National Association of Scho	Uses the terms "mentor and role model" instead of counselor.

# ACPS 2025 Strategic Plan Equity For All

Alexandria City Public Schools has pledged to provide an equitable, high quality education which is accessible and engaging to all students in a five-year strategic plan approved by the Alexandria City School Board on June 26, 2020.

The plan's **mission** is to ensure success by inspiring students and addressing barriers to learning.

The plan's **vision** is: Empowering all students to thrive in a diverse and ever-changing world.



# ACPS 2025 Strategic Plan Equity For All

The ACPS learning community strives to live these core values



### Topics for Discussion



1. What information do we need to understand the current experience and needs of students?

2. Are there traditionally marginalized voices or subpopulations of students that you are particularly interested in learning from?

3. What might be needed to support and activate students' voices?

Roles: Facilitator, Recorder, Reporter, Timekeeper, Innovator HANDOUT (<u>linked here</u>)

## Where to access this information after our meeting





#### **Playlist of Resources**

Deepen knowledge on the Role of Law Enforcement in Schools

#### Resource

#### Format



Annenberg Center: The Thin Blue line in Schools (2021)

EdWeek: These

Thin Blue lines:

Officers (2022)

School Resource

(2021)

Districts defunded

their School Police

Black and White and

COPs (DoJ): Guiding

**Principles for School** 

**Resource** Officer

Programs (2022)

Research paper (60 pages)

> News article (1 page)

Podcast (45 minutes)

Report

(22 pages)

#### **Overview**

A study based on application scores of police agencies for federal school-based policing grants, to estimate the impacts of SRO placement.

An investigation on the tensions and insights accompanying district shifts with respect to SROs following the death of George Floyd.

A retired police officer with a wealth of offers insight on the value of the SRO program designed with special training in counseling and anti-violence initiatives.

A DoJ guide for jurisdictions opting to implement an SRO program to ensure that the presence of law enforcement in schools is as beneficial as possible and to avoid harmful impacts on students.

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## Our Next Meeting - September 12



Review the research to expand your knowledge, hear new perspectives

Meet as a subcommittee at least once.

# I'm leaving this meeting thinking about