

Board Policy G-28: School Resource Officers



REFERENCES

[Utah Code Ann. §53G-8-701 et seq., School Resource Officers](#)

[Agreement Concerning the Funding, Implementation, & Administration of Programs Involving Police Officers in Schools](#)

THE POLICY

The Salt Lake City School District Board of Education is committed to providing a safe school environment for all district stakeholders, including students, families, employees, and community partners. To that end, the district has partnered with the Salt Lake City Police Department in establishing a school resource officer (SRO) program which places officers in schools in an effort to create and maintain safe learning environments by building and establishing meaningful relationships with students, staff, and the community. School resource officers serve many roles in district schools including educator, informal counselor/mentor, and law enforcement officer. However, it is important to understand that SROs are not school disciplinarians; SROs are not involved in investigating or enforcing school rule violations. Violations of school rules are the responsibility of school administrators and staff.

Together SROs and school administrators annually complete the SRO training requirements outlined in state law to ensure that SROs and school administrators can successfully fulfill their respective roles and responsibilities in a school setting.

The purpose of this policy is to provide for and maintain safe, healthy, and productive learning environments by establishing a cooperative, proactive, problem-solving SRO partnership between the Salt Lake City Police Department and the district.

For a detailed description of the SRO program and the corresponding roles and responsibilities of SROs, school administrators, and district employees, please refer to the *Agreement Concerning The Funding, Implementation, & Administration Of Programs Involving Police Officers In Schools*, linked in the References section above. District stakeholders are encouraged to provide feedback on the SRO program by completing one of the forms (i.e., Report a Concern/Report a Positive Experience) available at: [School Resource Officers - Salt Lake City School District \(slcschools.org\)](http://slcschools.org)

No district employee or student shall be subjected to discrimination in employment or any district program or activity on the basis of age, color, disability, gender, gender identity, genetic information, national origin, pregnancy, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran status. The district is committed to providing equal access and equal opportunity in its programs, services and employment including its policies, complaint processes, program accessibility, district facility use, accommodations and other Equal Employment Opportunity matters. The district also provides equal access to district facilities for all youth groups listed in Title 36 of the United States Code, including scouting groups. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries and complaints regarding unlawful discrimination, harassment, and retaliation: Tina Hatch, Compliance and Investigations/Title IX Coordinator, 440 East 100 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, (801) 578-8388. You may also contact the Office for Civil Rights, Denver, CO, (303) 844-5695.