

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Law §2801-a and Commissioner's Regulation §155.17, a school district that employs, contracts with, or otherwise retains law enforcement or security personnel, including school resource officers, is required to establish a written contract or memorandum of understanding: (1) defining the relationship between the school district, school personnel, students, visitors, law enforcement, and/or security personnel; (2) defining law enforcement and/or security personnel's roles, responsibilities and involvement within a school; and (3) clearly delegating the role of school discipline to the school administration; and

WHEREAS, the Hendrick Hudson Central School District ("District") and the The County of Westchester ("County"), are parties to an agreement dated September 26, 2018, regarding the provision of police officers by the Police to the District to serve as school resource officers; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Law §2801-a and Commissioner's Regulation §155.17, the District and the County have entered into discussions regarding the role of the school resource officers, including, but not limited to, the areas of responsibility of school personnel, security personnel and law enforcement in response to student misconduct that violates the District Code of Conduct and have received stakeholder input regarding same;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY AGREED, by and between the District and the County as follows:

1. The school resource officers shall perform the duties and responsibilities as set forth in the Agreement between the District and the County dated September 26, 2018, which is incorporated by referenced into this Memorandum of Understanding.
2. The function of the school resource officers is to provide a safe and secure campus environment for students, staff and visitors, as well as to address violations of the law and/or the District's Code of Conduct by students, staff and/or visitors. However, the school resource officers shall not be responsible for disciplining students. It is understood and agreed that the District and its administration are responsible for disciplining students. While the school resource officers may take appropriate action to prevent or stop criminal activity or violations of the District's Code of Conduct by students, any student involved in such criminal activity or violations of the District's Code of Conduct shall be escorted or reported to the school administration, which shall determine and mete out the appropriate discipline. Nothing herein shall restrict the school resource officer's ability to take appropriate legal action against students who have engaged in criminal conduct.

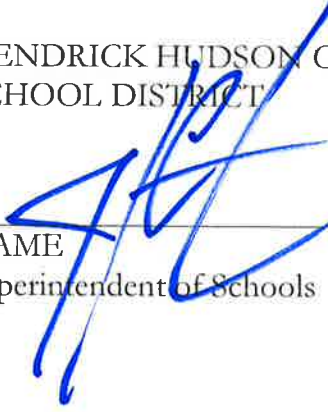
3. The rights, responsibilities and expectations for behavior for students, the expectations of the District's staff (including the administration) in relation to students, and the expectations of behavior for visitors/members of the public while on District property are set forth in the District's Code of Conduct, which is incorporated by reference into this Memorandum of Understanding. The school resource officers shall be cognizant of such rights, responsibilities and expectations in providing services to the District and shall act in accordance with the District's Code of Conduct.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed by their respective duly-authorized officials on the day and year as set forth below.

THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

HENDRICK HUDSON CENTRAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT


NAME _____ DATED 9/10/19
TITLE _____


NAME _____ DATED 9/10/19
Superintendent of Schools