



Tigard-Tualatin School District 23J  
Resolution 2324-10

A resolution of the Tigard-Tualatin School Board of Directors in support of  
School Resource Officers and Mental Health Training

**WHEREAS**, School Resource Officers (SROs) play an important role in keeping students and staff safe and serve as valuable liaisons between the District and our local police force.

**WHEREAS**, SROs are regular, reliable, on-site presence on campus and its perimeters. SROs provide a meaningful role as a valid source of safety and security information for staff, students, and neighbors.

**WHEREAS**, Schools are often sought out to be the mental health provider for students. Over thirty-five percent of 14- to 18-year-olds have behavioral health issues each year, which can include self-injury, suicide ideation, or attempted suicide. Having SROs and local police officers trained in crisis intervention and de-escalation strategies will provide invaluable resources to the District.

**WHEREAS**, Strong partnerships between our schools and community police officers builds greater opportunities for a strong climate and culture within our District.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Tigard-Tualatin School District does hereby support the role of School Resource Officers and Mental Health Training.

**ADOPTED this 26<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024.**

**Attest:**

Dr. Susan Rieke-Smith, Superintendent

Tristan Irvin, Board Chair