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Wayne Workman Superintendent

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To: Citizens, Students, and Staff of Lyon County and the Lyon County School District

From: Chief Deputy Mitch Brantingham and Superintendent Wayne Workman

Date: April 12, 2023

RE: Response to School Violence

In response to the recent increase of reports of violence and weapons at schools nationwide, the Lyon County Sheriff's Office (LCSO), in conjunction with the Lyon County School District (LCSD), is implementing a zero tolerance stance. Effective immediately, all Sheriff's Office personnel responding to incidents of violence, weapons or allegations of any such activity at LCSD schools, events, properties, or related areas will conduct proactive criminal investigations and pursue criminal charges to the fullest extent of the law.

No fight, affray, battery, assault, unlawful assembly, rout and riot, possession of dangerous weapons, threats, possession of controlled substances/paraphernalia, disturbances of the peace, and/or disturbance of school will be tolerated or allowed to stand without criminal action taken by the Sheriff's Office.

LCSO School Resource Officers, School Administrators, Teachers, and Other School Staff will be diligently identifying, reporting, and stopping further acts as described above. In addition to the criminal liability incurred by students participating in these behaviors, school administrators will issue discipline to the fullest extent allowed by law and according to LCSD Board Policy JG: Policy on Student Discipline.

LCSD administrators and teachers will be educating students age 11 and older regarding the state laws related to school violence, the possible consequences, and the implementation of the zero tolerance stance in coordination with local law enforcement. Students will be educated on this topic during advisory and homeroom class as applicable during the next few weeks.

The Lyon County Sheriff's Office and area law enforcement officials will be conducting additional proactive patrols and walk-throughs periodically at our schools for the remainder of the school year in furtherance of this mission.

If you have questions or concerns regarding these proactive measures, you are encouraged to contact your child's school or your local Sheriff's Office substation.