1155 Definitions:

A. Force:

The exertion of power in causing a person or thing to act, move, or comply against his/her or its resistance and may refer to physical strength or to any impelling motive.

B. Deadly Force:

That force which is intended to cause death or grave bodily injury, or which creates some specified degree of risk that a reasonable and prudent person would consider likely to cause death or grave bodily injury.

1. Grave bodily injury means bodily injury which creates a substantial risk of death or is likely to cause serious permanent disfigurement, loss or extended impairment of the function of any body member or organ.

C. Non-deadly Force:

Force employed which is neither intended nor likely to cause death or serious physical injury.

D. Presence:

The act of being in an individual or individuals' immediate vicinity under color of authority.

E. Verbal Persuasion:

Verbal commands or requests are used to obtain compliance, to control or give direction.

F. Empty Hand Control:

Restraint techniques and tactics may be used to establish physical control over an individual who may constitute an immediate threat to the safety of the Humboldt County School District Police Officer or others or is resisting lawful authority.

G. Chemical Agents:

Chemical agents may be used when the Humboldt County School District Police Officer is unable to establish physical control of an individual or when an attempt to physically control may constitute an immediate threat to the Humboldt County School District Police Officer or others. This applies to the use of pepper sprays.

H. Taser Device:

Taser devices may be used when the Humboldt County School District Police Officer is unable to establish physical control of an individual, or if an attempt to physically control an