

Overview of the SRO Program Review and SRO MOU Revisions

WCPSS Board of Education Meeting Information Item

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Desired Outcomes

- Highlight steps and activities taken by the district since summer 2020 to gather stakeholder input as part of the WCPSS Board of Education's review of the SRO program.
- Provide an overview of the revised draft of the SRO Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) reflecting revisions proposed by the Board and stakeholder input.



WCPSS Safety and Security Committee

- The Wake County Board of Education created an Ad-Hoc Safety and Security Board Committee to review, address, and plan for topics, programming, and resources in support of safety and security measures within the Wake County Public School System.
- The Safety and Security Committee has met monthly and has included among its focus areas for the year:
 - A review of the framework and components of the SRO program
 - A review of the SRO MOU and determination of the district's future position and direction as tied to MOU revisions and renewal

WCPSS Safety and Security Committee

Topics and Focus Areas

- SRO Training
- SRO Offense Referral Data for Middle and High Schools
- Overview of Restorative Practices and the Peacebuilders Program
- Data from SRO Survey Results and Input from Focus Groups
- Overview of Restorative Practices and Peacebuilders Program
- Financial Overview: Funding for SROs and AlliedUniversal
- Review of Use of Force
- Overview of SROs at Elementary Schools
- Overview of the Safer Schools Task Force Report (2013)
- Feedback and Input from the SRO MOU Survey Results



Stakeholder Input about the SRO Program

- As part of the SRO Program review, the district issued a survey to seek input from stakeholder groups about the SRO Program and the Allied Universal Security Officer Program.
- The survey was open from September 24, 2020 - October 23, 2020.
- The SRO Survey was completed by 54,531 respondents.
- The survey was distributed to the following stakeholder groups:
 - Community Members
 - Parents
 - Students
 - Staff



Stakeholder Input about the SRO Program

- Focus groups were facilitated with stakeholders to further unpack information gathered from the surveys.
- WCPSS staff conducted a total of 15 virtual focus group sessions from December of 2020 - February of 2021.
- The SRO Focus Groups explored specific questions from the surveys with the following stakeholder groups:
 - Students
 - Teachers
 - Principals
 - Parents
 - Community Members
 - Local Law Enforcement
 - WCPSS Security Department



Stakeholder Input about the SRO MOU Revisions

- WCPSS staff, in collaboration with Tharrington Smith, launched a survey to gather information on several portions of the existing MOU between WCPSS and local law enforcement agencies.
- The MOU survey had 5,395 respondents from the following stakeholders:
 - Community Members
 - Students
 - Parents
 - WCPSS Staff
 - Law Enforcement Agencies



Revised Draft of the SRO MOU Overview

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