

**El Dorado County Law Enforcement and Education
2024-2025
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is made and executed for the 2024-2025 school year by and between the El Dorado County Sheriff's Office, Placerville Police Department, South Lake Tahoe Police Department, California Highway Patrol, El Dorado County Probation Department, El Dorado County District Attorney, El Dorado County Health & Human Services Agency, Shingle Springs Tribal Police, and El Dorado County Office of Education (EDCOE), on behalf of the Schools throughout the County.

Schools, Law Enforcement, and juvenile justice procedures regarding gang activity and suppression, bullying, student use, possession, and trafficking of illegal substances or what is alleged to be illegal substances, threats to school safety, and student involvement with weapons and dangerous instruments/objects are addressed in this MOU. All agencies recognize the importance of keeping our schools safe and are committed to putting forth our best efforts to achieve that goal. There is also the recognition that empowering youth to ensure ongoing open communication between youth and responsible adults at schools is critical to establishing a culture where bullying and other mistreatment between students is not tolerated. Schools and other agencies are continuing to promote an environment that fosters student engagement and acknowledge that youth have to be part of the solution in achieving safe schools. To the extent that any staff or volunteers of the parties to this MOU are mandated reporters, those staff will comply with all applicable mandated reporter laws.

SCHOOLS

Gang Activity and Gang Suppression

The Governing Board of each School District and the El Dorado County Office of Education (hereinafter collectively "Boards") desire to keep district schools and students free from the threats of harmful influence of any groups or gangs which advocate drug use, violence, racism or disruptive behavior. The designee shall maintain continual, visible supervision of school premises in order to deter gang intimidation of students and confrontations between members of different gangs. Please see the definition of Gang Membership and Associations, page 5, El Dorado County Law Enforcement section.

Hate Motivated Behavior

Boards affirm the right of every student to be protected from hate-motivated behavior. It is the intent of Boards to promote respectful relationships that enable students to gain a true understanding of the civil rights and social responsibilities of people in our society. Behavior or statements that degrade an individual on the basis of his/her race, ethnicity, culture, heritage, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, physical/mental attributes, political or religious beliefs or practices shall not be tolerated.

Illegal Substances

Boards have grave concern for student use, abuse, and experimentation of all forms of illegal drugs (including controlled substances) or related drugs or alcoholic beverages. School administrators shall establish effective procedures to ensure thorough investigation, evaluation, and reporting of each known case of student involvement with illegal, or what is alleged to be illegal drugs (including controlled substances) and related drugs or alcoholic beverages, in order that appropriate remedial and rehabilitative and/or disciplinary action may be imposed.

Further, it is illegal to possess marijuana or marijuana derivatives on school grounds (Cal Health & Safety Code § 11357(d) (e)). School Districts will continue to enforce the provisions of Education Code Sections 48900 et seq., which prohibit the use, possession, furnishing, or being under the influence of marijuana when related to school activity or attendance and will contact law enforcement, should a student or person on school campus possess marijuana or marijuana derivative at school. Law enforcement has agreed to confiscate any marijuana or marijuana derivative found in a student's possession, and the appropriate law enforcement action will be left to the officer's discretion, depending upon the circumstances and severity of the violation.

School Districts will continue to enforce their policies providing for a drug free school environment as it may apply to all persons who come onto school property or otherwise are involved in functions having to do with school related activities or school attendance.

Immediate suspension and a recommendation for expulsion is the appropriate disciplinary action to take for those students who have been found selling or trafficking illegal drugs, or what is alleged to be illegal drugs, including controlled substances, illegally possessed prescription drugs, or related drugs. Involvement in the enticement of other students to possess or use illegal, or what is alleged to be illegal drugs, including controlled substances, illegally possessed prescription drugs, or related drugs or alcoholic beverages, may result in a recommendation for expulsion on a first offense. The Superintendent and/or designee(s) shall maintain open lines of communication with local Law Enforcement authorities so as to share information and provide mutual support in this effort.

For student involvement in a gang-related crime, hate crimes, threats to school safety, or for student use or possession (includes under the influence) of illegal drugs, or what is alleged to be illegal drugs, including controlled substances, illegally possessed prescription drugs, paraphernalia and related drugs or alcoholic beverages at any school and/or school related function and/or property, the following shall occur:

1. Sheriff/Police will be notified immediately for a gang related crime, hate crimes, threats to school safety, criminal threats, use or possession of illegal drugs, or selling, trafficking, or enticement of illegal drugs. The principal shall make a determination on a case-by-case basis when a student is under the influence of alcohol as to whether Law Enforcement should be notified.
2. Parents/Guardians will be notified in a timely manner. Generally, Law Enforcement and school personnel will conference prior to contacting parents.
3. Following a review of the circumstances, if the principal or designee determines the student is responsible, an immediate suspension from school will normally be imposed. The suspension may be extended by the Superintendent or designee if circumstances warrant when a recommendation is being processed for expulsion.

Additionally, for cases involving gang activity, the following shall occur:

Depending on the jurisdiction, the School Resource Officer/Gang Prevention Officer at the Sheriff's Office or the respective Police Department(s) will be notified as part of the clearinghouse for the Gang Prevention Task Force. [Sheriff: 530-621-6572; Placerville Police: 530-642-5210; South Lake Tahoe Police: 530-542-6122]

Cyber Bullying, Cyber Threats, Illegal Sexual Conduct

The cyber world has become a greater concern in recent years. Schools and Law Enforcement have cooperated in responding to cyber issues, including, but not limited to, Law Enforcement providing training on the concerns related to on-line communication sites. Schools will contact Law Enforcement if additional training is desired. Although school officials may deal with bullying, intimidation, harassment, threats to school safety, sexual misconduct, lewd images, and other forms of peer mistreatment through disciplinary actions, Law Enforcement has additional options available.

If school officials have questions as to whether a particular incident falls within the statutes and/or regulations pertinent to cyber bullying, high schools may contact their School Resource Officer (SRO) for assistance. Elementary school officials may contact the SRO for the high school into which their students feed. School Resource Officers can confer with the District Attorney's office as needed. Listed below are the various law enforcement agencies that will respond to the respective school districts:

School Resource Officers (SRO)

Five El Dorado County Sheriff's Deputies will share School Resource Officer duties at the following schools:

Black Oak Mine Unified School District: Golden Sierra High School

El Dorado County Office of Education: Charter Alternative Programs

El Dorado Union High School District: Oak Ridge High School
Ponderosa High School
Union Mine High School
Independence High School

Law enforcement response at the school sites below will be as follows:

Lake Tahoe Unified School District: South Lake Tahoe Police Department Resource Officer. If not available, South Lake Tahoe Police Department will dispatch an officer.

El Dorado High School, Placerville Union School District: A Placerville Police Officer is assigned as the SRO for El Dorado High School, Markham Middle School, Sierra Elementary and Schnell Elementary Schools. If not available, Placerville Police Department Dispatch will dispatch an officer(s).

All other county schools will be dispatched from the El Dorado County Sheriff's Office Patrol Division. For middle and elementary schools, a patrol deputy will respond if the School Resource Officers are not available.

Threat Assessment

As part of the EL Dorado County response to threats, a county-wide collaborative effort is in place to address threats that may occur in a school or school district. Districts may participate in the countywide threat assessment process as part of their overall response plan.

A Level One Threat Assessment Team may be assembled at each school site that can utilize established assessment tools that have been provided to estimate whether a student poses a threat. If it is estimated that a student may pose a threat, a Level Two referral will be made.

All identified agencies agree to select at least two agency representatives (one primary and one designee) to participate in a Level Two Threat Assessment Team process including, but not limited to, each county law enforcement agency, District Attorney's Office, Health and Human Services Agency (Child Welfare Services, Behavioral Health Division), and, El Dorado County Office of Education.

School district administration from the school where the Level Two referral was made will be invited to participate in the Level Two meeting related to their incident. A plan to address the threat will be determined by the Level Two team and immediately carried out.

Weapons and Dangerous Instruments/Objects

Boards desire students and staff be free from the fear and danger presented by firearms, improvised explosive devices (IEDs), components to make explosives, and other weapons. Boards, therefore, prohibit students from possessing weapons, imitation firearms, or dangerous instruments/objects of any kind on school grounds, in school buildings, on school buses, or at a school-related or school-sponsored activity away from school.

If a student possesses, sells, or otherwise furnishes a firearm at school or at a school event, that student shall be expelled for one calendar year from the date the expulsion occurs.

Under the power granted to Boards to maintain order and discipline in the schools and to protect the safety of students, staff and the public, any school employee is authorized to confiscate a weapon, dangerous instruments/objects or imitation firearm from any person on school grounds. School personnel shall use the utmost caution and safety measures when confiscating dangerous or potentially dangerous items. Explosives or suspected explosives shall be handled by law enforcement personnel or designee.

The Principal or designee shall notify Law Enforcement authorities when any student possesses a firearm or any dangerous other weapon, sells or otherwise furnishes a firearm or any other weapon, at a school event. Whenever feasible the Principal or designee shall discuss the situation with Law Enforcement prior to Law Enforcement having any interactions with the student. In addition, Law Enforcement will be notified when violence occurs on a school campus and/or it is reasonably anticipated that the violence will continue after the school day.

Plan for Providing Educational Services to Expelled Students

Pursuant to Education Code § 48926, school districts throughout El Dorado County have adopted plans for serving expelled students, including referral to El Dorado County Charter Community School and other alternative education options, as appropriate. A referral can also be initiated if additional options need to be pursued regarding appropriate services for a particular student.

Students with Disabilities

It is understood that all procedures regarding suspension and expulsion of students with disabilities shall follow state and federal laws and regulations.

EL DORADO COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT

Law Enforcement Agencies Website Addresses and Contact Information:

El Dorado County Sheriff's Office: edcgov.us/sheriff

Placerville Office: 530-621-5655

South Lake Tahoe Office: 530-573-3000

Placerville Police Department: placervillepd.com

Business Office: 530-642-5210

Emergency: 530-642-5280

Non-Emergency: 530-642-5298

South Lake Tahoe Police Department: cityofslt.us

Office: 530-542-6100

Shingle Springs Tribal Police

Police Department: 530-387-4994

California Highway Patrol: chp.ca.gov/home

Placerville CHP: 530-748-2450

Law Enforcement is committed to ensuring a safe environment for all students, faculty and citizens. El Dorado County Law Enforcement officers will not tolerate criminal activity by students. We will actively investigate and resolve violations of the law whether on or off campuses, particularly acts which jeopardize individual safety. Whenever feasible and when it is deemed appropriate, schools will be informed of criminal activity by students that occurs outside of the school, and it is reasonably anticipated to impact schools and their students.

It is understood that Law Enforcement will be responsible to ensure legal requirements are met with respect to interviewing a student on a school campus.

Firearms & Dangerous Weapons

1. Law Enforcement shall commit all necessary resources to reported incidents involving use and/or possession of firearms or dangerous weapons upon school grounds.
2. Officers will immediately contact known suspect(s) and eliminate any potential immediate threat by searching the suspect(s) for firearms or dangerous weapons. The search should be conducted in accordance with applicable state and federal statute and prevailing case law:
 - a. Searches by school officials and sworn peace officers working on a school campus as a School Resource Officer (SRO) are subject to the following:

- i. search must be reasonable under the circumstances and justified, and
 - ii. search must be supported by “reasonable suspicion” that the search will uncover evidence of a crime or school rule violation.
- b. Searches by sworn peace officers, other than School Resource Officers (SRO), are subject to the following:
 - i. Search requires a warrant unless:
 - 1. probable cause exists before the search, along with exigent circumstances;
 - 2. the officer has the informed consent of the person to be searched;
 - 3. the search is performed pursuant to a lawful arrest; or
 - 4. there is another specific/recognized exception waiving the warrant.
- 3. During the course of their investigation for this and any other act of criminal conduct on campus, officers will make contact with the reporting party and the administrator/designee of that campus.

Items 4-10 are law enforcement investigation related and not school specific. Officers will:

- 4. Identify and interview all known victims and witnesses and will assess the threat by investigating the suspect’s past behavior, including police contacts and school-related problems. Officers may also search any lockers assigned to or used by the suspect;
- 5. Notify the suspect’s parents/guardians of the incident and inquire about the history and availability of firearms at the residence;
- 6. Make every effort to obtain consent to search the suspect’s residence/bedroom and vehicle for firearms evidence;
- 7. When examining the suspect’s residence/bedroom and vehicle for firearms, ammunition, threatening letters, etc., take note of the residence/room/vehicle’s condition and any indicators of violent, dark, or morbid themes; and
- 8. If evidence is seized, follow the Law Enforcement office or department’s policy with respect to documentation and proper handling.
- 9. A written report that fully documents the investigation should be prepared. In addition to normal investigation, the report should include the following:
 - a. reaction of suspect’s parents/guardians;
 - b. suspect’s access to firearms;
 - c. suspect’s familiarity and training with firearms if available or known;
 - d. description of suspect’s bedroom and general home environment;
 - e. clearly articulate specific threats made; and
 - f. victim reactions to perceived threat.
- 10. Officers will remove the suspect from the school environment, if appropriate.

Gang Membership and Associations

El Dorado County Law Enforcement will not tolerate student involvement in street gangs whether as validated members, gang associates, or peripheral association.

Definition of Gang: A gang is three or more persons with a common sign, symbol or identifier who engage in a criminal gang activity, individually or collectively, with the intent to promote the gang. (186.22 P.C.)

- 1. *Validated gang member:* A confirmed gang member accepted by his/her peer/gang members, usually having criminal record or extensive police contact.

2. *Associate*: A person who regularly associates with gang members and wants to be recognized as a member of a gang and has demonstrated actions to try to prove themselves to become a member.
3. *Marginal Associate*: A person who dresses in gang colors and socializes with known gang members but has not yet become a regular member.
4. *Peripheral*: A person that has not yet become directly involved in criminal behavior but is occasionally seen with gang members.

Gang Graffiti, Gang Dress, Gang Paraphernalia

1. Gang graffiti is the advertisement of gangs in an area and offers intelligence for authorities. Graffiti should be photographed, gang unit notified, and then immediately removed.
2. Gang Dress, Behavior, and Gang Symbols on Students' Personal Property and/or Body: Refer to the respective local School District Dress Code Policy.

Gang Suppression Efforts and Efforts to Eliminate Hate Violence

1. An Officer from the El Dorado County Sheriff's Office, Placerville Police Department, or South Lake Tahoe Police Department will respond to all gang related crimes or hate violence which occur on school campuses.
2. Student(s) will be taken into custody for gang related crimes (a crime which is designed to advance or serve a gang name or the gang's existence) committed on school campuses. "Custody" for purposes of this policy means that the officer will ordinarily remove the student from the school grounds. The appropriate Law Enforcement action will be left to the officer's discretion depending on the circumstances and severity of the violation.
3. Gang paraphernalia related to the crime (examples: bandanas, stylized ball caps, shoelaces, weapons, etc.) will be confiscated by the officer.
4. Students, vehicles, and graffiti may be photographed by the responding officer.
5. Student interviews by Law Enforcement will occur as necessary and within the guidelines of state laws.
6. The El Dorado County Sheriff's Office, Placerville Police Department, and the South Lake Tahoe Police Department Gang Prevention Officer will remain current on all gang related activities and hate violence occurring on school grounds. The Gang Prevention Officer will serve as a clearinghouse of information for school officials, Probation Department personnel, and other allied agencies, thus affording continuity and expeditious handling of all inquiries.

Illegal Substances Suppression Efforts

1. Use or possession (includes under-the-influence) of illegal drugs, what is alleged to be illegal drugs, including controlled substances, paraphernalia, illegally possessed prescription medications, and related drugs or alcoholic beverages.
 - a. Substance, paraphernalia, or alcoholic beverage will be confiscated.
 - b. Student may be taken into custody and/or processed as appropriate if student is under the influence of any illegal drug or alcohol. This will depend on the level of influence or intoxication and the applicability of related statutes. Law Enforcement will consider the need for medical assessment and summon emergency medical personnel as necessary. The appropriate Law Enforcement action will be left to the officer's discretion depending upon the circumstances and severity of the violation.
 - c. Student may be taken into custody and processed for possession if substance or alcoholic beverage is on student's person or if an administrator or other responsible party witnesses possession. "Custody" for purposes of this policy means that the officer will ordinarily cause the student to be removed from the school grounds except in cases of an on-site School Resource Officer. This may also include citing and releasing the student to

their parents. The appropriate Law Enforcement action will be left to the officer's discretion depending upon the circumstances and severity of the violation. Whenever possible, it is recommended that the officer confidentially confer with the school administrator regarding the action to be taken.

- d. Officers may consider referring the student and family to El Dorado County Behavioral Health for an assessment of treatment needs.
 - e. Student interviews by Law Enforcement will occur as necessary and within the provisions of state laws.
2. Selling, Trafficking, or Enticement of illegal drugs or what is alleged to be illegal drugs, including controlled substances, illegally possessed prescription medications, and related drugs or alcoholic beverages, will be handled in the following manner:
- a. Students accused of selling, trafficking, or enticing others with illegal drugs, including controlled substances, illegally possessed prescription medications, and related drugs or alcoholic beverages, may be taken into custody and processed.
 - b. Student interviews by Law Enforcement will occur as necessary and within the provisions of state law, as determined by Law Enforcement.
 - c. Per their respective individual Law Enforcement Office or Department policy, any items identified or collected for evidence should be handled in such a way as to preserve the integrity of each. Evidence is often critical to the successful conclusion of an investigation and must be preserved for future court proceedings. As few people as possible should handle the evidence and the names of those who do must be documented for future reference. If at all feasible, evidence should be locked away or personally guarded until it can be turned over to Law Enforcement. For evidence, it is important to remember that to be admitted into court, its authenticity must be verified, including being able to articulate who had access to it since discovery and whether or not it has been altered from its original state.
 - d. Law Enforcement has grave concern for student use, abuse, possession, and selling or enticement of all forms of illegal drugs, including controlled substances, illegally possessed prescription medications, or related drugs or alcoholic beverages. Officers will not tolerate student use, abuse, possession, and/or selling or enticement of all forms of illegal drugs and will may arrest/cite (refers to juvenile court/adult court) offenders within the parameters of the law. Student offenders will also be taken into custody when deemed a danger to self and/or others involved with a felony, or at officer discretion.

Media Coordination

Law Enforcement, to the greatest extent feasible, will attempt to coordinate information that is provided to the media regarding any school incidents, with school personnel. Press releases issued by Law Enforcement will, whenever possible, be shared with School District Administration prior to being released. Any media inquiries involving active investigations should be referred to the Law Enforcement Agency with jurisdiction of the investigation. In addition, press conferences addressing school incidents should be coordinated and, whenever possible, conducted jointly by Law Enforcement and school personnel.

PROBATION DEPARTMENT

El Dorado County Probation Department: edcgov.us/Probation/

Shingle Springs Office: 530-621-5625

South Lake Tahoe Office: 530-573-3083

Juvenile Treatment Center (JTC) Control Room: 530-573-7990

The Probation Department will address all referrals, citations, bookings, and detentions from law enforcement, which may include the following responses:

1. counseling;
2. intake hearing;
3. diversion;
4. referral to District Attorney for court action;
5. informal supervision;
6. community service;
7. Juvenile Court Work Program;
8. Peer Council;
9. Traffic Court;
10. referral to El Dorado County Office of Education Charter Community School and/or Community Day School programs;
11. contact with a probation officer working on high school campus when appropriate.

The Probation Department will accept all bookings into a Juvenile Treatment Center in South Lake Tahoe and will either cite and release the minor for further proceedings or hold the minor pending a detention hearing in court.

When referrals for threats to school safety are received, the Probation Department will review the circumstances and conduct an investigation into means, motive, and opportunity to carry out such a threat before making decisions related to continued detention and case actions.

Probation Officers on campus will cooperate with the school district and be included in developing safety procedures, providing assistance at school events and work with the SRO in truancy prevention and on campus counseling for both minors on probation and the general school population.

The Probation Department will notify the Superintendent of the respective school district, pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code § 827 and Education Code § 48267, of any juvenile court disposition of minors involved in delinquent activity. Whenever feasible and when it is deemed appropriate, schools will be informed of delinquent activity by students that occurred outside of the school that may be reasonably anticipated to impact schools and their students. In addition, when a minor has been ordered by the Court to an educational placement, the Probation Department will use its best efforts to coordinate any proposed action with the appropriate education administrator prior to recommendation for any educational placements.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Upon referral of a case involving gang activity, hate motivated behavior, cyber bullying, illegal sexual conduct, and/or illegal substances, the District Attorney will pursue prosecution of violations of the law as appropriate.

1. The District Attorney's Office will prosecute any minor found in possession of a gun on school grounds.
2. The District Attorney's Office will enforce the law in any case wherein a minor is unlawfully found in possession of a firearm off a school campus.
3. Where appropriate, the District Attorney's Office will enforce violations in cases where a parent or legal guardian is found not to have exercised reasonable care, supervision, protection, and control over their minor child. Penal Code § 272 (Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor)
4. Where appropriate, the District Attorney's Office will enforce violations against the parent or legal guardian where a juvenile is found in illegal possession of a firearm. Penal Code §12035(b) (Criminal Storage of a Firearm)
5. Where appropriate, the District Attorney's Office will coordinate and cooperate with the schools,

Law Enforcement, Probation, Behavioral Health, and other county agencies in reducing and preventing illegal firearm possession by minors in the interest of public safety and the youth.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

Health & Human Services Agency, Child Welfare Services

All reports of suspected child abuse should be made to: (844) 756-3699. Mandated reporters should identify themselves as such and advise that they need to speak with an Intake Social Worker to file a suspected child abuse report as soon as potential child abuse is suspected. Upon completion of making the verbal report of child abuse, the mandated reporter is responsible for filling out and sending in the Suspected Child Abuse Report 11166 PC Form within 36 hours. All forms can be faxed to (530) 663-8493. A copy of this report must be kept separate from the students CUM File, located in a secured area that is locked.

Upon a referral of suspected abuse or neglect, Child Welfare Services will assess the referral criteria, and if appropriate investigate, conduct an assessment of the minor(s) and family as applicable by law and regulation, and assess protection issues. It is understood that Child Welfare Services will be responsible to ensure legal requirements are met with respect to their interviewing a student on a school campus.

Child Welfare Services will make its resources available as they may become necessary and helpful on a case-by-case basis to include Mandated Reporter training or individual school site training as requested if not available through Child Abuse Prevention Council (CAPC) and the Community Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) funding.

Health & Human Services Agency, Behavioral Health Division

Behavioral Health Access Line (Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services): 800-929-1955

Mental Health Crisis Telephone Number, WS: 530-622-3345, SLT: 530-544-2219

Psychiatric Emergency Response Services: 530-621-5655

Mental Health Website: edcgov.us/Government/MentalHealth

The Health and Human Services Agency, Behavioral Health Division, is committed to this effort and will provide responsive screening, intervention, assessment, and treatment interventions as needed to meet these needs.

1. When a child/adolescent experiences a mental health or substance abuse related crisis, delivery of mobile resources will be provided anywhere in the community within 2 hours in accordance with Behavioral Health Information Notice (BHIN) 23-025. This mobile crisis response will include availability of licensed and designated mental health staff in accordance with regulation. This will be effective on implementation of the Mobile Crisis benefit in El Dorado County by the Behavioral Health Division, and thereafter.
2. If a child/adolescent is brought to a Juvenile Detention Facility, and are Medi-Cal eligible, they will be provided Behavioral Health services on their return to the community by the Behavioral Health Division in accordance with the PATH-JI framework beginning October 1, 2024 and thereafter.
3. When a child/adolescent is determined to be under the influence of an illegal drug or alcohol, Law Enforcement may refer a student to Behavioral Health Substance Use Disorder Services for assessment and linkage to the services provided by their health care plan.
4. When a child/adolescent demonstrates behaviors that may be a danger to self, danger to others, or is gravely disabled due to a mental health or substance abuse condition the Behavioral Health Division will complete a risk assessment of the child to evaluate the following:
 - a. Imminent risk of danger to self and others possibly requiring emergency mental health treatment.
 - b. Determine if the child is likely to benefit from ongoing mental health and/or substance use treatment services, and if eligible for Medi-Cal treatment or other covered County services develop a treatment plan. If not eligible for County services, El Dorado County Behavioral

Health will complete a “warm handoff” to the appropriate responsible treatment provider.

The conclusions of assessments, screenings, and emergency evaluations will be shared with the family, guardian, and/or other agencies as legally permitted. Any release of information must comply with Welfare & Institutions Code 5328 et seq.

SHINGLE SPRINGS TRIBAL POLICE

Contacting Tribal Officials

Whenever a student who self-identifies as an enrolled member of the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians (“Tribe”), is involved in a gang-related crime, hate crime, threats to school safety, or student use or possession of illegal drugs, or what is alleged to be illegal drugs, including controlled substances, illegally possessed prescription drugs, paraphernalia and related drugs or alcoholic beverages at any school and/or school related function and/or property, or possesses a firearm or any other weapon, sells or otherwise furnishes a firearm or any other weapon at school or at a school event, the appropriate law enforcement agency, based on jurisdiction (EDSO/PPD/SLTPD), will first be notified. In addition, the following step shall occur:

1. Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians Police Department will be notified immediately but will only respond if requested by the investigating agency and/or the student requests their presence.

Whenever a student, who self-identifies as an enrolled member of the Tribe, is expelled from school, the following Tribal departments shall be notified in order to help facilitate alternative educational options:

1. Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians Tribal Services Department
2. Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians Education Department

Gang Dress and Symbols

Cultural symbols, logos, or trademarks of the Tribe shall not be considered gang dress or symbols when worn by a student who self-identifies as an enrolled member of the Tribe. If there is a question about whether a symbol is in fact a cultural symbol of the Tribe, the following Tribal department shall be contacted:

1. Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians Cultural Department

Verifying Tribal Membership

For purposes of complying with the terms of this MOU, school officials may verify a student’s Tribal membership by contacting any of the following Tribal officials:

1. Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indian’s Tribal Chairperson
2. Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indian’s Enrollment Committee Chairperson
3. Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indian’s Enrollment Officer

Tribal Contact Information

All of the above listed Tribal officials and departments may be contacted in the following ways:

Phone Number: 530-677-7522

Email Address: info@ssband.org

Mailing Address: PO Box 1340, Shingle Springs, CA 95682

Physical Address: 5281 Honpie Road, Placerville, CA 95667

El Dorado County Office of Education, School Districts, Law Enforcement, Probation, District Attorney, and Health & Human Services agree as follows:

ANNUAL REVIEW PROCEDURES

The County Superintendent shall convene a meeting annually to review the MOU. At the time of review, changes, additions or deletions may be recommended. Each agency will be requested to renew its commitment to the guidelines contained herein.

The MOU is a guide and cannot substitute for the judgment and understanding that come from knowledge and experience. A case-by-case decision must be made.

COORDINATION OF ACTIONS

We realize program effectiveness and cooperative working relationships cannot be legislated but require planning and working together over a period of time. All parties to this agreement will use their best efforts to obtain parent consent for exchange of information when so required. The parties agree that it is important to coordinate decision making prior to action being recommended or taken. To that end, the parties shall make every effort to exchange information regarding proposed recommendations in order to allow any potentially affected party the opportunity to provide input.

COMPLIANCE/CONFIDENTIALITY

The signatory agencies shall fully comply with the Federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 "HIPAA" 42 USC 1320d (45 CFR 164.103) through the juvenile justice system exception to the Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act "FERPA" 20 USC 1232g (34CFR 99.31). Child Welfare shall comply with Division 31 Regulations and Welfare and Institutions code 300 and 827.

COUNTERPARTS

This Memorandum of Understanding may be executed simultaneously in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

Rick Hatfield, Commander
Placerville California Highway Patrol

Brian Richart, Chief Probation Officer
El Dorado County Probation Department

Tiffany Schmid, Chief Administrative Officer
El Dorado County

Olivia Byron-Cooper, Director
El Dorado County Health & Human Services
Agency

Jeff Leikauf, Sheriff
El Dorado County Sheriff's Office

Regina Cuellar, Chairwoman
Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians

Dr. Ed Manansala, County Superintendent
El Dorado County Office of Education

Teddy Tayaba, Chief of Police
Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians
Tribal Police Department

Joe Wren, Chief of Police
Placerville Police Department

David Stevenson, Chief of Police
South Lake Tahoe Police Department

Vern Pierson
El Dorado County District Attorney

PARTICIPATING SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Gabe Simon, Ed.D., Superintendent
Black Oak Mine Unified School District

Todd Cutler, Ed.D., Superintendent
Lake Tahoe Unified School District

David Roth, Ph.D., Superintendent
Buckeye Union School District

Dave Scroggins, Superintendent
Latrobe School District

Cheryl Olson, Interim Superintendent
Camino Union School District

Larry Mahoney, Interim Superintendent
Mother Lode Union School District

Michael Kuhlman, Superintendent
El Dorado Union High School District

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