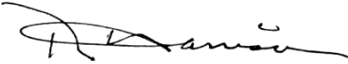


TEXARKANA POLICE DEPARTMENT

GENERAL ORDERS MANUAL

SUBJECT	School Security & Response to School Violence		
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I. Scope and Purpose

- A. This policy is intended to address issues surrounding the protection and security of the schools within the jurisdiction of the Texarkana Police Department. It shall remain the goal of the Department to prevent incidents of school violence by aggressively pursuing all reports or information concerning potential, planned or actual incidents of school violence.

II. Policy

- A. It shall be the policy of the Texarkana Police Department to generate, manage and coordinate specific guidelines that serve to govern the Agency's response to issues surrounding school security and school violence. All members of the Department shall recognize and adhere to the guidelines and requirements contained within this policy.

III. Procedures

A. Responding to Overt or Covert Threats of Violence

1. Any officer observing, obtaining or receiving any information relating to any form of violence occurring within the school—or the receipt of any information that provides an advanced anticipation for violent action involving students, school personnel, school events or school property—will immediately contact the appropriate Shift Commander, the Commander of the Criminal Investigation Division or their designees.
2. All reports to the Shift Commander or the Commander of the Criminal Investigation Division shall be forwarded immediately through a verbal report. All such reports shall be followed with a detailed written report that contains comprehensive information surrounding the perceived threat.
3. The Commander of the Criminal Investigation Division will take the appropriate steps to address the information and safeguard the students, faculty and property within the affected school.

B. Preventing School Violence

1. Officers of the Uniform Patrol Division shall remain familiar with all of the schools within their assigned beat. When schools are in session—and as time and call load permit—officers will conduct foot patrols of the school's interior areas and provide mobile patrol of the school's

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exterior property and surrounding areas Officers will ensure the patrol activity of these schools is notated on their individual activity sheet and within CAD.

2. All criminal violations shall be handled in accordance to Arkansas Law and Departmental Policy.

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