

School Resource Officer Program

Intergovernmental Agreement

This Agreement is made and entered into by and between the Fannin County Board of Education, the Fannin County Sheriff's Department acting by and through the Fannin County Board of Commissioners and the City of Blue Ridge, Georgia.

Whereas, the Fannin County Board of Education is charged with providing for the safety and welfare of the students who attend its schools and programs; and

Whereas, a School Resource Officer Program has previously been established between the Fannin County Board of Education, the Fannin County Sheriff's Department and the Fannin County Board of Commissioners and the City of Blue Ridge, Georgia; and

Whereas, the Fannin County Board of Education has previously agreed to and has budgeted for two resource officers; and

Whereas, the Fannin County Sheriff's Department, in conjunction with the Fannin County Board of Commissioners has previously agreed to and has budgeted for two resource officers;

Whereas, the City of Blue Ridge, Georgia, has previously agreed to and has budgeted for one resource officer; and

Whereas, the funding provided by the Fannin County Board of Education should and does reflect 2/5th of the costs of the program; the funding provided by the Fannin County Board of Commissioners in its allocation of budgetary resources to the Fannin County Sheriff's Department should and does reflect 2/5th of the costs of the program; and the funding provided by the City of Blue Ridge should and does reflect 1/5th of the costs of the program; and

Whereas, Fannin County Board of Commissioners administers the employee benefit package for 4 of the 5 officers, with reimbursement to the Fannin County Board of Commissioners from the Fannin County Board of Education as to the benefit package for 2 officers; and

Whereas, the City of Blue Ridge currently administers the employee benefit package for 1 of the 5 officers; and

Whereas, 4 of the 5 officers are officers on the roster of the Fannin County Sheriff's Department; and

Whereas, 1 of the 5 officers is on the roster of the City of Blue Ridge Police Department; and

Whereas, together the five officers constitute the members of the Fannin County Board of Education School Resource Officer Program; and

Whereas, the chief officer of said program shall and will be appointed by the Sheriff of Fannin County; and

Whereas, the administration of the School Resource Officer Program shall be under the Chief Officer of said program; and

Whereas, each entity has previously adopted an appropriate resolution and budgeted for the expenses as set forth above for the 2014 year; and

Whereas, in order to insure the compliance with applicable federal and state rules, regulations and statutes and to insure a chain of command and for other purposes, the parties have memorialized by this intergovernmental agreement the agreement previously entered into between them;

Now Therefore, in consideration of the mutual benefits to be gained by all parties in working together to provide for the safety and welfare of the students that attend the Fannin County School System, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged by all parties, the parties have and do agree as follows:

1. The funding provided by the Fannin County Board of Education should and does reflect 2/5th of the costs of the program.
2. The funding provided by the Fannin County Board of Commissioners in its allocation of budgetary resources to the Fannin County Sheriff's Department should and does reflect 2/5th of the costs of the program.
3. The funding provided by the City of Blue Ridge should and does reflect 1/5th of the costs of the program, but is contingent upon the current City of Blue Ridge School Resource Officer leaving the Blue Ridge Police Department and being hired by the Fannin County Sheriff to be one of the five School Resource Officers.
4. The Board of Education shall fund the costs associated with two resource officers and the associated benefit package based on the benefit package provided by the Fannin County Sheriff's Department to its similar grade employees.
5. The City of Blue Ridge, Georgia shall fund the costs associated with one resource officer and the associated benefit package based on the benefit package provided by the Fannin County Sheriff's Department to its similar grade employees, but which shall not exceed the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) in any fiscal year, to be adjusted annually to reflect the salary and benefit package of similar situated officers and shall not include the costs of the SRO vehicles, their fuel, maintenance and insurance. Notice of any increase in salary and benefit package of any similar situated officer shall be supplied by the County to the City no later than September 1 of any given year.
6. The Board of Commissioners via the Fannin County Sheriff's Department shall fund the costs associated with two resource officers and the associated benefit package based on the benefit package provided by the Fannin County Sheriff's Department to its similar grade employees.
7. The salary and benefit package of each of the resource officers will be administered by the County in the same manner that Sheriff's department deputies are administered.
8. The County will invoice the City and the Board of Education in the same manner that third party vendors are invoiced for County paid, third party reimbursed services.

9. The City shall be responsible for the one-time costs associated with the initial set up equipment, duty gear, and uniforms for one officer, but which shall not exceed Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00).
10. The Board of Education shall be responsible for furnishing a vehicle for two of the SROs, together with fuel and maintenance.
11. The County via the Sheriff's department shall be responsible for furnishing a vehicle for three of the SROs, together with fuel and maintenance.
12. The County, via the Sheriff's Department, shall maintain liability insurance on each of the five vehicles utilized by the SRO program.
13. The County, via the Sheriff's Department, shall maintain appropriate liability insurance on each of the SROs in accordance with the standard practice of the County as to its Sheriff Department employees.
14. The term of this agreement shall be from January 1 to December 31 of any calendar year.
15. This agreement is for one year.
16. This agreement shall automatically renew.
17. Any party to this agreement can terminate this agreement without cause upon notice to the other two parties.
18. Notice shall be supplied no later than October 1 of any calendar year that an entity is not going to continue to participate in the SRO program as outlined herein.
19. All notices required shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given by delivering it in person or by certified mail:

As to the Fannin County Board of Education

Superintendent of Schools
2290 East First Street
Blue Ridge, Georgia 30513

Clerk
Fannin County Board of Commissioners
400 West Main Street Suite 100
Blue Ridge, Georgia 30513

City Clerk
City of Blue Ridge
480 West First Street
Blue Ridge, Georgia 30513

In witness where to the parties have set their hands and affixed their seals, to memorialize and reduce to writing the agreement that has previously been entered into and approved by their respective Boards and/or Council.



Fannin County Board of Education

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Secretary

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