



SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Executive Summary

Accountability Office
Partnership between SCUSD and the Sacramento Police Department
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I. Partnership between SCUSD and the Sacramento Police Department:

Sacramento City Unified School District's *Strategic Plan 2010 2014: Putting Children First* makes three broad commitments to our community: Career and College Ready Students; Family and Community Engagement; and Organizational Transformation. The plan states under the third pillar (Organizational Transformation) that "A school district is an organization of people. To meet future challenges, our employees need to be innovative, resourceful, flexible and creative. They must value collaboration and work well in teams... On an operational level, the school district needs to break down barriers between the central office and school sites to create a more effective flow of services. Those services should include everything necessary for our schools to be clean, safe, welcoming and healthy." The partnership between local law enforcement and the Sacramento City Unified School District serves to support this pillar. The goal of the partnership is to project a consistent message, engage staff to be part of the greater safety team, and develop relationships with the central office and the sites to promote school and student safety and establish the best possible environment for academic and life success. Without a firm commitment of resources and ideology to the creation of District wide safe learning environments, we cannot accomplish the strategic goal that students graduate as globally competitive lifelong learners, prepared to succeed in a career and higher education institution of their choice to secure gainful employment and contribute to society.

II. History:

The Sacramento Police Department has worked in partnership with the Sacramento City Unified School District (SCUSD) since 2001, when a contract was established to place School Resource Officers in comprehensive high schools and middle schools. In September 2010, the Sacramento Police Department (SPD) provided the services of an SPD Lieutenant to SCUSD with the intent of improving student safety through the implementation of best practices, creative problem solving and building relationships within the District. The Lieutenant assigned also assumed supervisory responsibility of the School Resource Officer Unit and operational responsibility for an existing school security unit. Upon assignment to SCUSD, an audit encompassing components of school safety and security was initiated. The initial assessment included a broad based review of the existing Security Plans, deployment of security and the SROs/TTAs and T60/TTom

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- x Work in partnership with the Student Hearing Office and Dropout Prevention Services
- x Work in partnership with Youth Development Services
- x Support the Attendance Intervention

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VI. Results:

The results of these initiatives were outlined in detail in the Comprehensive Mid Year Report on Security and Safety which was provided to the Office of Accountability, Sacramento Police Department and the