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SUBJECT: SPRING 2021 STUDENT CONTACT ANALYSIS (SCA)

This Student Contact Analysis (SCA) report provides an analysis of documented student contacts at the 17 campuses where the Fresno Police Department staffs Student Resource Officers, (SRO's). These campuses include high schools, continuation schools in the Fresno Unified School District, (FUSD), Central Unified School District, (CUSD) and the Fresno County Office of Education District, (FCOE) and middle schools in FUSD and CUSD. SRO's are currently assigned to Bullard, Central East, Duncan Polytechnical, Edison, Fresno, Hoover, McLane, Roosevelt and Sunnyside High Schools; Cambridge and Pershing Continuation High Schools; Phoenix Secondary Academy; Fort Miller, El Capitan, Rio Vista and Glacier Point Middle Schools and Pathway Community Day School.

SCA reports are published at the conclusion of each school semester. This SCA report covers the reporting period for March through June 2021 (partial spring semester due to Covid-19 outbreak). Students were learning virtually in January and February. The SCA data contained in this analysis is generated by reporting mechanisms required of SROs and maintained by the sergeant assigned to the SRO unit. Citation and arrest data is also maintained automatically in the Department’s Report Writer Systems under each officer’s identification. The SCA report may contain a slight variance in statistical data.

The total student population was 25,340 school age youth in all campuses where SROs are assigned for the spring semester. Demographic information and student populations were provided by each school site and represent a point in time analysis for June, 2021.
The demographic data used for the purposes of this report was obtained from the US Census Bureau website; https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fresnocitycalifornia

The demographic breakdown of the City of Fresno used for Demographic Data Analysis, as reported in the US Census Bureau’s most recent published information, is as follows:

- Hispanic 49.1%
- White 27.4%
- Asian 13.6%
- Black / African American 7.8%
- Multiracial 4.3%
- American Indian / Alaskan Native 1.1%, and
- Hawaiian / Pacific Islander 0.1%

The demographic breakdown of the schools where SRO’s are assigned is as follows:

- Hispanic 67.00%
- White 10.17%
- Asian 9.31%
- Black / African American 8.12%
- Multiple races 2.04%
- Native American 0.48%
- Pacific Islander 0.83%
- Unknown 0.00%

A review of the SCA for this reporting period showed there were a total of 15 reported crimes. Of the reported crimes, 1 was a felony, 12 were misdemeanors, and 2 infractions were reported for 25,340 students on the 17 campuses where SROs are assigned. This represents that 0.0059% of the student population (15 of 25,307 students) were involved in reported criminal activity during this period of analysis.

Of the 15 reported crimes, 1 juvenile was booked into the Fresno County Juvenile Justice Campus. Additionally, 10 students who were contacted by SROs for being involved in low-level, non-violent criminal behavior were either reprimanded and released, referred to Youth Court, or were involved in peer mediation / restorative practices involving school staff. This equates to 66.67% of all crime-related contacts made by SROs during this reporting period being diverted from the Juvenile Justice System through alternative resolutions and effective use of restorative practice techniques.
The demographic data of the 15 youth committing reported crimes during this analysis period is as follows:

- Hispanic 66.67%
- Black 20.00%
- White 13.33%
- Asian 0.00%
- Multi racial 0.00%

The demographic data of the 10 youth reprimanded and released or involved in restorative practices, including peer mediation and Youth Court, is as follows:

- Hispanic 40.00%
- Black 20.00%
- White 20.00%
- Asian 0.00%
- Native American 0.00%
- Multi Racial 0.00%

Of the 15 reported crimes that occurred for this analysis period on school campuses where an SRO is assigned, the following crimes were reported most often:

- 5 violations of Penal Code 242 / 243 – Battery (33.33% of the 15 reported crimes)
- 3 violations of Health and Safety Code 11357(d) – minor in possession of marijuana (20.00% of the 15 reported crimes)

The data reflected in the current SCA report will be reviewed and then compared to the next SCA report to determine what modifications, if any, should be made to enhance the SRO Unit effectiveness.