School Resource Officers

Our SRO program is a collaboration between the Lancaster Police Department and the Lancaster School District, with the intention of creating and maintaining a safe, secure, and orderly learning environment for students and staff.

The SRO program is designed to help prevent juvenile delinquency by promoting positive relations between youth and law enforcement

SRO's are responsible for preventing crime and ensuring safety in primary and secondary schools.

SRO's serve to improve relationships and act as liaisons between students, law enforcement and the community. SRO's should be considered a resource for both the student and their families.

The SRO program is a nationally accepted program.



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For more information on the SRO program and services offered visit us at Lancasterschools.org under the School Resource Officer page or contact one of the SRO's directly.

<u>School Resource Officer</u> <u>Program</u>



In partnership with the Town of Lancaster Police Department and the Lancaster Central School district.



What is a School Resource Officer?

Law Enforcer

School Resource Officers are sworn Police Officers who:

☐ Promote a safe environment where students, teachers and staff feel safe.

□ Provide a high visible presence to deter or identify criminal activity on campus.

□ Investigate suspected criminal activity occurring on District property and/or related to the District, in accordance with NYS Law and District policy.

☐ Assist school administrators with truancy issues.

Emergency Manager

Develop and implement comprehensive safety plans or strategies, in coordination with school administrators and local first responders.

Educator

Conduct age appropriate group/classroom presentations related to law enforcement and a variety of topics such as:

- •NYS laws/roles of Police Officers
- Drugs/Alcohol
- Vaping
- Domestic related issues
- Social Media/Internet safety
- Personal safety
- Crime/Violence prevention
- Healthy boundaries
- Harassment/Bullying
- •Rapid Response Drills

Law Related Counselor

Students often request one on one advice from the SRO on how to handle law related issues that they may experience, such as:

- ➤ Traffic tickets
- ➤Domestic issues
- ➤ Family issues
- ➤ Harassment/Social Media concerns

Mentor & Role Model

Build relationships and reinforce positive behaviors and positive decision making, along with promoting character building.

The SRO is another caring adult in the building who works to find positive solutions for students.

Attend sporting events and extracurricular activities at the request of the District.

Refer students and their families to the appropriate resources and/or agencies for assistance when need is determined.