



UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AGENDA ACTION ITEM

TOPIC: Approval of Memorandum of Understanding Between the Webb County Sheriff Department
And the United Independent School District Police Department

SUBMITTED BY: Gloria S. Rendon **OF:** Associate Superintendent

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD: _____

DATE ASSIGNED FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION: July 18, 2018

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the United ISD Board of Trustees Approve the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Webb County Sheriff Department and the United Independent School District Police Department

RATIONALE:

BUDGETARY INFORMATION:

POLICY REFERENCE & COMPLIANCE:

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding is entered into by and between the *Webb County Sheriff Department* and the *United Independent School District Police Department*.

WHEREAS; Section 37.081 of the State of Texas Education Code provides that the Board of Trustees may establish a school district police department, to be charged with enforcing all laws within the peace officers' jurisdiction;

WHEREAS; the aforementioned school district has employed such peace officers; and

WHEREAS; Subsection (g) of Section 37.081 of the Education Code provides that: "A school district police department and the law enforcement agencies with which it has overlapping jurisdiction shall enter into a Memorandum of Understanding that outlines reasonable communication and coordination efforts among the department and the agencies"; and

WHEREAS; both the *Webb County Sheriff Department* and the *United Independent School District Police Department* are committed to serving the community effectively and efficiently for reaching common goals through mutual cooperation.

WHEREAS; the *Webb County Sheriff Department* and the *United Independent School District Police Department* now wish to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding outlining communication and coordination of efforts between the two law enforcement entities.

NOW THEREFORE;

1. Both the *Webb County Sheriff Department* and the *United Independent School District Police Department* shall openly communicate with each other on efforts undertaken to better serve the community and schools.
2. Both the *Webb County Sheriff Department* and the *United Independent School District Police Department* shall make all reasonable attempts to coordinate activities, which impact the other department.
3. Both the *Webb County Sheriff Department* and the *United Independent School District Police Department* shall establish a formal communication process by appointing a "Liaison Officer" who shall report directly to the Chief of Police of the respective departments.
4. This Memorandum of Understanding is subject to modification as needed to provide for the maximum operational efficiency of both departments. Such modification shall be in writing and mutually agreed upon.

IN WITNESS OF WHICH THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING has been executed on this the _____ day of _____, 2018.

United Independent School District
Police Department

County of Webb
Sheriff's Office

BY: _____
Raymond E. Garner, Chief of Police

BY: _____
Martin Cuellar, Sheriff