

**STATE OF TEXAS}**

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**COUNTY OF GALVESTON}**

This memorandum of understanding is entered by and between the Galveston County Sheriff's Department (GCSO) and the Galveston Independent School District Police Department (GISDPD)

WHEREAS: Section 37.081(g) of the State of Texas Education Code states: A school district police department and the law enforcement agencies with which it has overlapping authority shall enter a memorandum of understanding that outlines reasonable communication and coordination efforts between the department and the agencies.

WHEREAS: both the GISDPD and the GCSO are committed to serving the community effectively and efficiently for reaching common goals through cooperation and;

WHEREAS: the GISDPD and the GCSO now wish to enter a Memorandum of Understanding outlining communication and coordination of efforts between the two law enforcement entities.

NOW THEREFORE:

The parties to this Memorandum of Understanding hereby agree as follows:

1. GISDPD shall have primary authority for the provision of all police services, except as otherwise specified in this Memorandum of Understanding, on property owned, leased, or rented by or otherwise under the control of Galveston Independent School District.

**Exception:** In the event of a school related event/assistance the Chief of GISDPD and the Sheriff of GCSO shall enter more specific and detailed operational procedures and guidelines during said event.

2. GISDPD shall be responsible for responding to all requests, which come to their attention, for police services originating from any property owned, leased, or rented by or otherwise under the control of Galveston Independent School District.
3. GISDPD shall be responsible for providing GCSO with a current list of all properties owned, leased or under the control of the GISDPD that are within the Galveston County. The list will include the property name and street address.
4. GISDPD shall notify the GCSO of any incident or situation on any property owned, leased or under the control of the Galveston ISD that may affect the safety of the residents of Galveston County not occupying said property.
5. GCSO shall notify the GISDPD of any incident or situation on any property within the Galveston County that may affect the safety of the occupants on any property owned, leased, or under the control of the GISDPD.

6. When it is necessary for the GCSO to execute a warrant, or investigate on any property owned, leased or under the control of Galveston I.S.D, the GCSO shall contact the GISDPD and inform the GISDPD. The GCSO shall refrain from interrupting a class to execute an arrest or search warrant. In the event of "fresh" or "hot" pursuit, the GCSO communications unit shall notify GISDPD as soon as possible and GCSO officer will proceed as necessary. Communication may be done by landline and/or thru GCSO dispatch
7. When it is necessary for the GISDPD to execute a warrant, or investigate within the Galveston County, excluding any property owned, leased, or under the control of the Galveston I.S.D, the GISDPD shall contact GCSO for notification purposes and may request a GCSO officer to assist GISDPD officer. In the event of "fresh" or "hot" pursuit, GISDPD communications unit shall notify the GCSO as soon as possible and the GISDPD officer will proceed as necessary. Communication may be done by landline and/or thru GISDPD dispatch.
8. Requests for the assistance of the GCSO, as enumerated in paragraphs 6 and 7 above, will be honored provided the criminal offense occurred on property, within the Galveston County.
9. The Sheriff of GCSO and the Chief of GISDPD may enter mutually agreed upon intra-agency training opportunities on the Galveston ISD campuses, as necessary with prior approval from the Superintendent of Schools.
10. The Chief of the GISDPD and the Sheriff of the GCSO may enter more specific and detailed operational procedures and guidelines as necessary.
11. Either party may terminate this agreement by notification in writing to the other party.

IN WITNESS OF WHICH THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING has been executed on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019

GALVESTON I.S.D  
POLICE DEPARTMENT

GALVESTON COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPT.

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