**Student SRO Experiences Survey Results**

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| **How frequently do you see a Student Resource Office (SRO) at your school?** | | | |
| **Responses** | **Responses** | **%** | **Percentage of total respondents** |
| Rarely/Never | 817 | 40.4% |  |
| 1 Per month | 171 | 8.5% |  |
| 1 Per week | 317 | 15.7% |  |
| Daily | 715 | 35.4% |  |
| **Total Responses** | **2,020** |  |  |

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| **I know the role of the Student Resource Officer (SRO) in my school.** | | | |
| **Responses** | **Responses** | **%** | **Percentage of total respondents** |
| No | 733 | 36.1% |  |
| Yes | 1,299 | 63.9% |  |
| **Total Responses** | **2,032** |  |  |

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| **Rate your level of agreement with each statement.** | | | | | |
|  |  | **Disagree** | **Neutral/Not Sure** | **Agree** | **Total** |
| (a) | The SRO supports and promotes a positive school environment. | [245]  12.1%   |  | | --- | |  | | [793]  39.2%   |  | | --- | |  | | [983]  48.6%   |  | | --- | |  | | 2021 |
| (b) | The SRO keeps the school safe. | [206]  10.2%   |  | | --- | |  | | [658]  32.6%   |  | | --- | |  | | [1153]  57.2%   |  | | --- | |  | | 2017 |
| (c) | The SRO supports students. | [245]  12.1%   |  | | --- | |  | | [730]  36.1%   |  | | --- | |  | | [1049]  51.8%   |  | | --- | |  | | 2024 |
| (d) | The SRO educates students and staff on the law and law-related matters. | [480]  23.8%   |  | | --- | |  | | [809]  40.2%   |  | | --- | |  | | [724]  36.0%   |  | | --- | |  | | 2013 |
| (e) | The SRO reduces crime. | [386]  19.1%   |  | | --- | |  | | [768]  38.1%   |  | | --- | |  | | [862]  42.8%   |  | | --- | |  | | 2016 |
| (f) | The SRO minimizes involvement in the juvenile justice system. | [302]  15.0%   |  | | --- | |  | | [1006]  50.0%   |  | | --- | |  | | [704]  35.0%   |  | | --- | |  | | 2012 |

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|  | **All**  **N = 2,034** | | | **Black/ African American**  **N = 224** | | | **Hispanic/ Latino**  **N = 162** | | | **White**  **N = 1,609** | | |
| **D** | **N** | **A** | **D** | **N** | **A** | **D** | **N** | **A** | **D** | **N** | **A** |
| Having a Student Resource Officer in my school makes me feel safe. | 17.8% | 29.7% | 52.5% | 25.4% | 33.9% | 40.6% | 13.6% | 33.4% | 53.1% | 18.0% | 28.2% | 53.8% |
| I have been distracted from my schoolwork because of the presence of an SRO. | 72.1% | 21.0% | 6.9% | 67.4% | 22.3% | 10.3% | 63.6% | 32.1% | 4.3% | 72.8% | 20.4% | 6.8% |
| All students are treated equally by the SRO. | 12.0% | 41.2% | 46.8% | 17.4% | 42.0% | 40.6% | 11.1% | 47.6% | 41.4% | 12.0% | 40.1% | 47.9% |
| The presence of the SRO makes me feel uncomfortable | 61.7% | 24.0% | 14.3% | 50.6% | 26.5% | 22.8% | 53.7% | 30.9% | 15.4% | 63.8% | 22.8% | 13.4% |
| I feel comfortable talking with a Student Resource Officer (SRO) about a safety concern involving me or my friend. | 19.5% | 34.3% | 46.2% | 24.1% | 34.8% | 41.1% | 16.7% | 38.9% | 44.4% | 19.6% | 33.0% | 47.4% |
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|  | D = Disagree | | | | N = Neutral/Not sure | | | | A = Agree | | | |

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| **Have you, or a friend, had an interaction with a Student Resource Officer (SRO)?** | | | |
| **Responses** | **Responses** | **%** | **Percentage of total respondents** |
| No | 1,370 | 69.7% |  |
| Yes | 595 | 30.3% |  |
| **Total Responses** | **1,965** |  |  |

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| **Was the interaction primarily positive or negative?** | | | |
| **Responses** | **Responses** | **%** | **Percentage of total respondents** |
| Negative | 99 | 16.7% |  |
| Positive | 493 | 83.3% |  |
| **Total Responses** | **592** |  |  |

Students were given the chance to describe their interaction with the SROs. Their responses were coded thematically and are reported below:

Negative –

* Escalation (19 responses)
  + The interaction with the SRO was worsened because there was a police presence
  + The perceived attitude or disposition of the SRO impacted the student’s response
* No interaction (13 responses)
  + The student response did not describe a direct interaction. Rather it was an expression of an opinion or belief
* Did not act (6 responses)
  + The student reported something they believed to be a problem and the SRO failed to act or did not act in a way that the student was aware of
* Not comfortable (5 responses)
  + The student was not comfortable sharing any details so the response could not be coded

Positive –

* Friendly (133 responses)
  + SROs greet students at the start of the school day
  + SROs talk to students during lunch, or other free periods
  + SROs help students when they are lost
* Problem solving (64 responses)
  + SROs directly intervene in a situation to resolve it to a student’s satisfaction
  + SROs talk to students when they are having a personal problem and help them better understand it
  + SROs help students understand why their behavior was wrong in a productive way
* Teaching (31 responses)
  + SROs taught during the health class about the effects of drugs, alcohol, and tobacco
  + SROs taught during drivers’ education about vehicle safety and obeying the rules of the road
  + SROs participated in student projects related to their coursework
* No interaction (29 responses)
  + The student response did not describe a direct interaction. Rather it was an expression of an opinion or belief
* Not comfortable (8 responses)
  + The student was not comfortable sharing any details so the response could not be coded

Appendix – Demographics of Respondents

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| **Q1. Which school do you attend?** | | |
| **Responses** | **Responses** | **%** |
| Albemarle HS | 516 | 25.4% |
| Burley | 117 | 5.8% |
| Charter Middle School | 15 | 0.7% |
| Henley | 223 | 11.0% |
| Jouett | 136 | 6.7% |
| Monticello HS | 329 | 16.2% |
| Murray HS | 21 | 1.0% |
| Sutherland | 138 | 6.8% |
| Walton | 81 | 4.0% |
| Western Albemarle HS | 456 | 22.4% |
| **Total Responses** | **2,032** |  |

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| **Q2. What grade level did you just complete?** | | |
| **Responses** | **Responses** | **%** |
| 6th | 272 | 13.4% |
| 7th | 277 | 13.6% |
| 8th | 251 | 12.4% |
| 9th | 351 | 17.3% |
| 10th | 350 | 17.2% |
| 11th | 371 | 18.3% |
| 12th | 158 | 7.8% |
| **Total Responses** | **2,030** |  |

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| **Q3. What is your gender?** | | |
| **Responses** | **Responses** | **%** |
| Female | 1,098 | 54.2% |
| Male | 839 | 41.5% |
| Non-binary | 16 | 0.8% |
| Other | 12 | 0.6% |
| Prefer not to say | 59 | 2.9% |
| **Total Responses** | **2,024** |  |

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| **Q4. What is your race/ethnicity? (check all that apply)** | | |
| **Responses** | **Responses** | **%** |
| Asian | 183 | 9.2% |
| Black/African American | 224 | 11.2% |
| Hispanic/Latino | 162 | 8.1% |
| Native American | 49 | 2.5% |
| White | 1,612 | 80.7% |
| **Total Responses** | **2,230** |  |
| Multiple answers per participant possible. Percentages added may exceed 100 since a participant may select more than one answer for this question. | | |