



September 3, 2014

Mr. Morland McManigal, Foreman  
Grand Jury  
Hall of Justice  
600 Union Ave.  
Fairfield, CA 94533

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Re: Security Impact on Graduation Rates in Solano County

Dear Mr. McManigal,

In response to your request for information regarding security impact on graduation rates in Solano County dated June 11, 2014 I am responding to the following findings:

V. Finding 1- Recommendation 1- All high schools in Solano County identify funding to implement the Resource Officer (SRO) Program: BUSD currently employs a full time SRO at Benicia High School and a SRO one day a week at the smaller alternative high school, Liberty High. The cost is shared between the BUSD and the BPD. Attached is the agreement between the City of Benicia and the Benicia Unified School District for these services.

Finding 2- Recommendation 2- All high schools take the necessary measures to ensure compliance with California Ed Code 38003, " *Persons employed and compensated as members of a security or police department of a school district shall be supplied with and authorized to wear a badge bearing the name of the school district.*" The SRO's that work at our school sites are full time police officers and wear full police uniforms while on campus. Our SRO's are employed by the City of Benicia; they are not employed by BUSD. There is cost sharing between the City and the District. Therefore, they do not wear BUSD identification badges.

Finding 3- Recommendation 3- This recommendation is for Vallejo High and Jesse Bethel High exclusively, therefore it does not apply to Benicia USD.

Sincerely,  


Janice Adams, Superintendent BUSD