## Memorandum of Understanding between Granville County Public Schools And

## **Local Municipal Law Enforcement Agencies**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to ensure the cooperative efforts between the Granville County Sheriff's Department, the local municipal law enforcement agencies of Oxford, Butner and Creedmoor, and Granville County Public Schools (GCPS).

The purpose of the MOU is to facilitate the coordination and application of services by these agencies to the students enrolled in GCPS.

The desired outcomes for this partnership include:

- Bridge the gap between law enforcement and the children and young adults of Granville County.
- Increase in positive attitudes toward law enforcement
- Increase in the citizen cooperation between students and law enforcement
- Increase in the opportunities for students to make positive choices through participation in educational activities with law enforcement
- Reduce juvenile crime as a result of the counseling regarding law enforcement, teaching about the judicial system, and building relationships with law enforcement officers.
- Effect positive change in the opinions and actions of students toward citizenship and honesty, and develop actions and opinions that are more strongly opposed to illegal, dangerous or disruptive behaviors.
- Increase the ability of law enforcement and school personnel to work together
- Protect students' rights to receive an education that is not abridged by violence or disruption
- Promote a safe, peaceful and encouraging learning environment through high visibility of law enforcement officers in schools,

- Increase opportunities for law enforcement officers to act as community liaisons and role models which strengthen the overall relationship with citizens; and,
- Effect observable and measurable behavior modifications which reduce the number and frequency of disruptive behaviors by at-risk students.

This partnership is intended to promote a safe, welcoming and inclusive environment for all students, staff and other members of the school community while recognizing that sworn law enforcement officers have a constitutional, statutory and professional standard by which they are bound. The parties agree that in compliance with law, the parties proceed without discrimination against any person on the basis of sex, gender, race, color, religion, national origin, age or disability. In particular, under no circumstances will any representative of any of the parties engage in any conduct in violation of state or federal anti-discrimination law in their interactions with students, including but not limited to any retaliation for reporting, alleging, or filing complaints concerning any alleged discrimination.

This Memorandum of Understanding is effective the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 2019 and shall be reviewed and/or updated no later than June 30, 2022.

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Katherine Burnette, Judge, Judicial District 9	Date
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Michael Waters, District Attorney, Prosecutorial District 9	Date
Michael Felts, County Manager	//22/2020 Date
David Richardson, Board of Education Chairman	1-21-20 Date
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Dr. Alisa McLean, Superintendent, GCPS	Date
John W. Davk, Chief Dist. (1. Judge	2/10/20 Date