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**Date: July 11, 2017**

**Consider/Approve:**

Consider/Approve Memorandum of Agreement with Floyd County, Kentucky Sheriff for services from the K-9 Unit to detect and deter the possession, distribution and use of illegal drugs on district school campuses.

**Applicable State or Board Policy:**

KRS 162.90 General Powers and Duties of the Board

**Fiscal/Budgetary Impact:**

It is anticipated that approximately fourteen (14) random visits at \$300 be done from the K-9 unit at district schools. Will cost the district general fund \$4,200.

**History/Background:**

A similar agreement has been in place with the City of Prestonsburg since March of 2011. School level administrators support the practice and recommend approval of such services.

**Recommended Action:**

Approve MOA as presented.

**Contact Person(s):**

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**Superintendent**

## MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

This Memorandum of Agreement made and entered into by and between the Floyd County, Kentucky Sheriff, hereinafter referred to as the "Sheriff" and the Board of Education of Floyd County, Kentucky, hereinafter referred to as the "Board".

WHEREAS, the Board operates ten schools that house students in grades six (6) through twelve (12) in Floyd County, Kentucky and has through recent experience determined that the sale, possession, distribution and use of illegal drugs on the campus of one or more of its high schools and in areas adjacent thereto has been and is occurring on a frequent and recurrent basis and that such activities constitute a serious threat to the health, safety and well being of its students and staff. The Board desires to protect the students and staff at each of its schools and to reduce, and if possible, eliminate the sale, possession, distribution and use of illegal drugs on and in the areas adjacent to its high school campuses; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff, through his department operates a K-9 unit comprised of one (1) certified handlers and one (1) certified drug detection dog; and has offered to provide the services of its K-9 unit to the Board for the purpose of detection, intervention and deterrence of illegal drug sales, possession, distribution and use on and near the campuses of each of its identified schools by conducting unannounced visits; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff and the Board have agreed to cooperate in a mutual effort to eliminate and deter the sale, possession, distribution and use of illegal drugs on school property and in areas adjacent thereto and desire to reduce their agreement to writing, hereby agree as follows:

1. The Board will pay the Sheriff's office the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) per school visit, payment to be made upon invoice received from the Sheriff.
2. The police K-9 unit will make nine (9) random and unannounced visits, with the exception of May, June and July, to each school housing students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) operated by the Board.
3. The police K-9 unit will make five (5) random and unannounced bi-monthly visits, with the exception of May, June and July, to each school housing students in grades six (6) through eight (8) operated by the Board.
4. Such visits will be conducted by the two (2) certified handlers and the certified drug detection dog. Upon arrival at each school, members of the unit will immediately

notify the school principal, assistant principal or administrator in charge who will proceed to initiate a school lock-down which will include all students and Board employees.

5. The K-9 unit will patrol hallways and the school parking lot, as well as randomly selected classrooms. Vehicles and lockers identified by the certified drug dog as potentially containing illegal drugs may, in the discretion of the school principal, assistant principal, or administrator in charge, be subjected to a search upon the advice of one or both of the certified handlers.
6. The certified handlers shall randomly select one or more classrooms within each school to be inspected by the certified drug dog. All students and Board employees shall be removed from the randomly selected class rooms and assembled in the hallway outside the room. No objects, including books, backpacks, bags, purses, containers, articles of clothing and the like shall be removed from the room prior to the introduction of the certified drug dog.
7. After the room has been cleared, the K-9 unit will enter the room and any areas or articles including clothing, purses, backpacks, bags, books, containers and the like identified by the certified drug dog as potentially containing illegal drugs may, in the discretion of the school principal, assistant principal or administrator in charge be subjected to a search, upon the advice of one or both of the certified handlers.
8. All illegal drugs found to be present will be confiscated and if possible the owner or possessor identified. Any student or Board employee determined to be the owner of or in possession of such illegal drugs as may be found will be subject to prosecution as well as disciplinary action by the Board.
9. This Memorandum of Agreement may be terminated by either the Sheriff or the Board upon ten (10) days prior notice in writing.

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of June, 2017.

FLOYD COUNTY SHERIFF

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
JOHN HUNT, SHERIFF

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
HENRY WEBB, SUPERINTENDENT