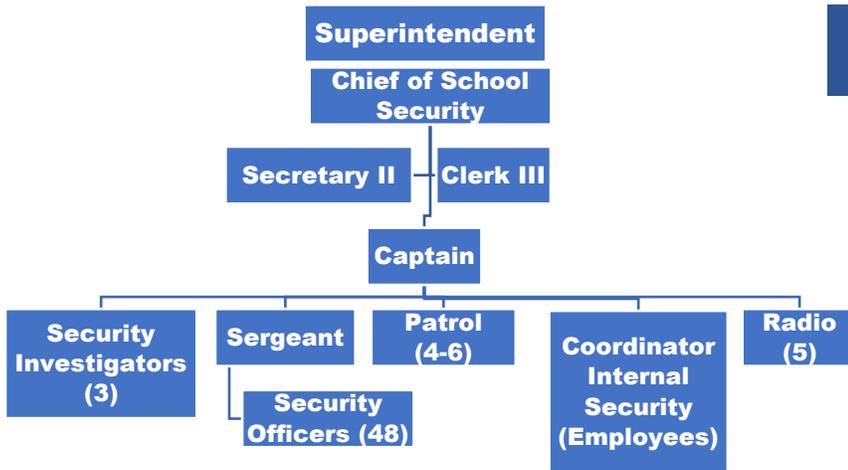




Working towards a deeper sense of security for ALL

The emotional and physical safety and security of our students is our top priority. With the inherent goals of fostering adult-student relationships, equitably reducing school-based arrests and citations, and building a deeper sense of trust in our school communities, a district-maintained law enforcement Division of School Security would allow specialized District control of officer training, the establishment of district-wide officer expectations, and increased oversight and accountability of officers working directly with students. Further, a district-designed and led Division of School Security, focused on developing positive student-officer relationships, would promote consistent and equitable resolutions when School Security Officers engage with students.



INCREASED SUPPORT

The Division would provide each middle and high school a full time School Security Officer. Each officer would also support 2-3 elementary schools in their area.

How much would this transition cost?

Current SRO, Security & Investigations expenses: \$3.5 million

Recurrent cost for Division of School Security: \$8.8 million, an estimated increase of \$5.34 million

One-time costs to establish the program: \$2.4 million

TRAINING

Training would be an integral component of an effective Division of School Security. In addition to mandated officer trainings, it is recommended School Security Officers receive extensive required training in the areas of Safe Crisis Management, Trauma Informed Care, Positive Behavior Intervention Systems, Restorative Practice, and recommended trainings by National Association of School Resource Officers (NASRO).

DUVAL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

One benchmark district, Duval County Public Schools, has seen significant decreases in arrests since the introduction of their district law enforcement department 5 years ago.

Arrest – Year To Date (Week # 39)	
School Year	Arrest
2014 - 2015	324
2015 - 2016	181
2016 - 2017	137
2017 - 2018	68