School Resource Officer
Listening Sessions
Informational Meeting

October 8, 2020
LOSD SRO Background Information

LOSD is initiating SRO Listening Sessions as part of intentionally evaluating systems throughout the organization to cultivate culture of belonging

1990s: LOSD SRO program began, emphasis on elementary student relationships

2015-2017: SRO program paused due to retirement and limited LOPD staff

2017: LOSD SRO program resumed with one SRO working at both high schools, funded by LOPD as part of new community partnership

2019: second SRO added, funded by Learning Levy measure increase tax payers approved for safety and mental health supports, innovation and literacy specialists
The duties of the SRO include:

Establish and maintain a liaison between LOSD, LOPD, and elements of the juvenile justice system.

Serve as a resource to LOSD employees such as administrators, faculty and security personnel, as well as students and their guardians, on all law enforcement-related issues, including crime prevention and investigations.

Provide a visible security presence and threat assessments.

Perform such other duties as may be mutually agreed to by LOSD and the LOPD.
The Purpose

To hear and understand multiple perspectives and lived experiences of students, families, and staff in regards to the presence of SROs in our schools

To understand the impacts of SROs presence on our students

To prepare and present a report from the listening sessions to the LOSD School Board for consideration

One of three possible outcomes anticipated:

- Continue SRO presence
- Discontinue SRO presence
- Redefine SRO presence
The Process

**Facilitators:** Independent, neutral facilitators: Tara Cooper and John Lenssen

**Groups:** SROs, students, teachers and staff, admin, families

**Group Size:** Up to 14 participants per group

**Participants:** individuals who represent diverse voices in the community

**Format:** In private group sessions, facilitators use questions to prompt inputs and document responses; inputs are one-way, no discussion or debate

**Report:** Will be shared with the LOSD School Board meeting; targeting mid-November

Additionally, all stakeholders are invited to share inputs in survey Oct. 16
Questions?

Please type questions into the chat box. We will follow up in a district communications.