

KYASRO Electronic Newsletter

The Kentucky Association of School Resource Officers offers a quarterly update of information for SROs and school personnel. During the legislative session we will send updates as needed. You may receive an email once a week during that time. If you have not joined KYASRO for the 2015 – 2016 school year or you did not attend the conference in June 2015, please fill out your attached membership application. Future updates from KYASRO will be sent to the membership list only.

In this electronic update:

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SAVE THE DATE

The Law Enforcement in Schools Conference (formerly the Safe Schools and Communities Conference) will take place on June 13th and 14th, 2016 at the Perkins Bldg., EKU, Richmond. Registration will open in January online (watch for more information) and the registration fee will be \$195.00.

Audience: Law enforcement officers assigned to schools, school and law enforcement administrators, safe schools coordinators.

Lodging: Holiday Inn Express (\$95) [1-859-624-4055](tel:1-859-624-4055)
Hampton Inn (\$100) [1-859-626-1002](tel:1-859-626-1002)

Both lodging blocks are under the name "Law Enforcement in Schools Conference" and available now to reserve.

KEYNOTE TOPICS: Legal Update by Bernard James (Pepperdine University), Social Media Safety (Bob Couchman), and many breakout sessions to be announced. Half day DARE mandatory will be on Tuesday, June 14th.

DOCJT In-Service Training for School Resource Officers

The Department of Criminal Justice Training (DOCJT) will be offering the following in-service training for school resource officers:

- Basic SRO (40 hours): June 20 – 24th and July 11 – 15 (Richmond, KY)
- Advanced SRO (40 hours): July 25 – 29 (Richmond, KY)

KYASRO Scholarship and Award Process

The KYASRO board will begin the scholarship and award process in January. Each year the KYASRO board gives one \$500 to a high school senior who has made a contribution to safety or crime prevention in their school. Student must be nominated by their local SRO and the SRO must be a **member of KYASRO**.

KYASRO also recognizes SROs and administrators who have demonstrated support for a safe and secure learning environment in their schools. These individuals are recognized at the annual conference in June.

Both applications will be available online at www.kyasro.org in mid-January. The deadlines for both the scholarship and award applications are April 15, 2016.

Legislative Update

The KYASRO board has a legislative committee that closely watches the legislative session and all bills that are filed that may affect law enforcement in schools. We will send out updates as needed. Right now there is a pre-filed bill to mandate training for school resource officers. Please see the attached draft.

Christmas Award

Bill Eckler, School Resource Officer at Madison Southern High School in Berea, KY, had the opportunity to present a \$100.00 check from the Kentucky Association of School Resource Officers to the Family and Consumer Sciences Class at Madison Southern. They are working to raise money to support [their](#) Santa's Workshop Fundraiser and in turn, purchasing Christmas gifts for local needy children. Mrs. Alexander and her students have been very busy preparing and selling breakfast to the staff at Madison Southern as they raise money for this very good

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cause. Each year the Kentucky Association of School Resource Officers donates to a local fundraiser at Christmas. The award this year went to KYASRO region 6 (see the attached picture).



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***The Kentucky Association of School Resource
Officers would like to wish you a safe and happy
holiday season!***

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Applicant : _____

Agency: _____

School District : _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Circle One:

Police Officer

School Personnel

Other (specify)

Membership fee: \$30.00

**Kentucky Association
of School Resource
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Checks payable to:

KYASRO

Membership Dues:

\$30.00

Mail To:

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**c/o Roy E. Black,
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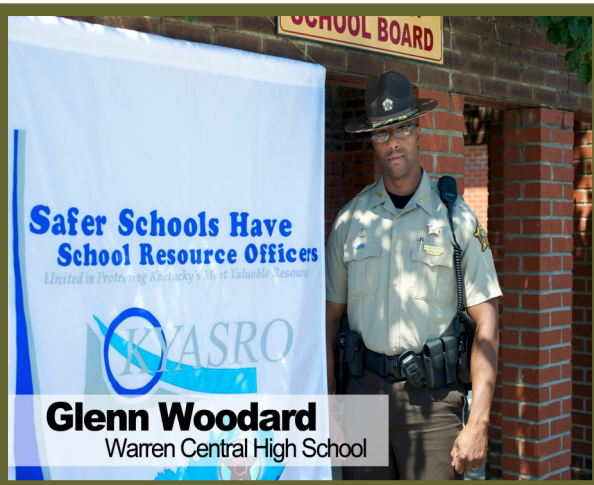
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SRO DUTIES

TRIAD APPROACH

- * Teacher
- * Counselor
- * Law Enforcement



Photo provided by DOCJT.

Mission Statement

To maintain an environment in our schools where teachers feel safe to teach and students feel safe to learn.



KYASRO board members awarding the 2010 James Sticklen Memorial Scholarship

GOALS of the KYASRO Association

The Kentucky Association of School Resource Officers is a non-profit organization that supports the efforts of SROs, School Administrators, and Educators in maintaining a safe and drug-free environment within our schools.

This organization was created to provide a communication network to facilitate the sharing of information and advice in order to improve the effectiveness of SROs and enhance the safety of our schools.

While our primary duty is law enforcement, we know that we cannot be effective in that function without educating and offering guidance to those we protect. In doing so, we are role models and we are mindful of our interactions with others.

We know that our greatest assets are our children. We strive to ensure the safety of our children by enforcing the law and by promoting socially acceptable behavior.

AN ACT relating to school safety and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 158 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

(1) A school resource officer or school security officer as defined in Section 2 of this Act shall complete training provided by the Department of Criminal Justice

Training as follows:

(a) Basic school resource officer training to be completed prior to working at a school site; and

(b) Advanced school resource officer training to be completed within two (2) years of beginning employment.

(2) A person who began working as a school resource officer or school security officer prior to the effective date of this Act and who has not completed the basic school resource officer training shall complete the training by August 1, 2016.

➔Section 2. KRS 158.441 is amended to read as follows:

As used in this chapter, unless the context requires otherwise:

- (1) "Intervention services" means any preventive, developmental, corrective, supportive services or treatment provided to a student who is at risk of school failure, is at risk of participation in violent behavior or juvenile crime, or has been expelled from the school district. Services may include, but are not limited to, screening to identify students at risk for emotional disabilities and antisocial behavior; direct instruction in academic, social, problem solving, and conflict resolution skills; alternative educational programs; psychological services; identification and assessment of abilities; counseling services; medical services; day treatment; family services; work and community service programs;
- (2) "School resource officer" means a sworn law enforcement officer who has specialized training, **as described in Section 1 of this Act,** to work with youth at a

school site. The school resource officer shall be employed through a contract between a local law enforcement agency and a school district; and

- (3) "School security officer" means a person employed by a local board of education who has been appointed a special law enforcement officer pursuant to KRS 61.902 and who has specialized training, *as described in Section 1 of this Act*, to work with youth at a school site.

➔Section 3. Whereas school resource officers and school security officers are a vital part of providing a safe and secure school learning environment for Kentucky's children, and the training of these officers is essential to the performance of their duties, an emergency is declared to exist, and this Act takes effect upon its passage and approval by the Governor or upon its otherwise becoming a law.