



Eastern Camden County Regional School District

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Township of Voorhees
2400 Voorhees Town Center
Voorhees, NJ 08043
Attn: Dean Ciminera, Chief Financial Officer

Dear Mr. Ciminera:

Enclosed is one copy of the fully executed Interlocal Services Agreement for the "COPS in Schools" program. I have retained the other copy for our records.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (856) 346-6728.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fred D. Wright".

Fred D. Wright
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

FDW:dmk

Enclosure

INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT made this 13th day of AUGUST, 2012 in the Township of Voorhees, County of Camden, and State of New Jersey, between the EASTERN REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION (“Eastern”), with its principal office located at P.O. Box 2500, Laurel Oak Road, Voorhees, New Jersey 08043, and the TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES, a Municipal Corporation of the State of New Jersey, with its offices located at 2400 Voorhees Town Center, Voorhees, New Jersey 08043 (“Township”);

WHEREAS, the parties hereto are permitted in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:8A-1 et seq., the Interlocal Services Act (“Act”), to enter into an Agreement to provide jointly, or through each respective agency itself, such services authorized by the Act, including areas of general government administration, such as shared services and the like; and

WHEREAS, the Township had previously been awarded a “COPS IN SCHOOLS” grant as part of a federal grant program which offered law enforcement agencies the opportunity to perform community policing in and around school entities within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, though the Township no longer receives federal funding for this program, the Township and Eastern remain dedicated to providing a safe and secure environment for the Eastern Regional High School District and the surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, through the combined efforts of Eastern and the Voorhees Township Police Department, students will continue to receive a quality education in a safe and secure environment; and

WHEREAS, the parties hereto desire to establish goals and objectives, including, but not

limited to:

- a. Providing on-site security;
- b. Building respect for law enforcement among students;
- c. Reducing school violence and other crimes;
- d. Providing a direct link to law enforcement;
- e. Improving the responsiveness of the Voorhees Police Department based on community feedback;
- f. Improving school and community relations by addressing the concerns of the surrounding community that are caused by the school and its students.

W I T N E S S E T H:

1. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

A. VOORHEES TOWNSHIP:

The Township shall supply Eastern with one (1) full-time Police Officer who shall be assigned by, and operate under the direction of, the Voorhees Township Chief of Police and the chain of command established herein.

The Voorhees Township Chief Financial Officer (“CFO”) shall be responsible for the administration of the “COPS IN SCHOOLS” program, including but not limited to cost reimbursements made by Eastern to the Township in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

B. EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL:

Eastern hereby agrees to reimburse the Township in accordance with the schedule incorporated as follows:

	<u>Calendar Year 2012</u>	<u>Calendar Year 2013</u>	<u>Calendar Year 2014</u>
Salaries & Wages	\$105,161.88	\$107,776.53	\$110,456.54
<u>Other Expenses</u>	<u>60,329.63</u>	<u>63,537.40</u>	<u>64,449.42</u>
TOTAL	165,491.51	171,313.93	174,905.96

Eastern H.S. Share	\$115,844.06	\$119,919.75	\$122,434.17
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Voorhees Twp. Share	\$ 49,647.45	\$ 51,394.18	\$ 52,471.79
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In addition, all payments shall be due and payable by Eastern to the Township as set forth in the payment schedule below:

**“COPS IN SCHOOLS” Program
Eastern H.S. Payment Schedule**

	<u>Due 03/31</u>	<u>Due 06/30</u>	<u>Due 09/30</u>	<u>Due 12/31</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
2012	30,337.35	30,337.35	27,584.68	27,584.68	\$115,844.06
2013	29,979.94	29,979.94	29,979.94	29,979.93	\$119,919.75
2014	30,608.54	30,608.54	30,608.54	30,608.55	\$122,434.17

2. PROGRAM ISSUES:

The one (1) Police Officer that is assigned shall be considered a School Resource Officer (SRO) and will report to the Lieutenant of Operations. The Lieutenant of Operations will report to the Deputy Chief, who reports to the Chief of Police. All levels of the Police chain of command will accept input as to the duties and responsibilities of the SRO from the Eastern High School Principals, Superintendent, and Board of Education. The Chief of Police will work in conjunction with the Superintendent to develop additional responsibilities and duties not covered in this Agreement.

The evaluation and operation of the Program will be based on the following goals and considerations:

- a. A reduction in the number of weapon offenses in and around the schools;
- b. A reduction in the number of property crimes within the schools;
- c. An increase in the amount of controlled dangerous substance arrests, which will eventually result in a decrease in those offenses;
- d. A reduction in the number of traffic violations and motor vehicle accidents in the areas surrounding the schools;
- e. An increased amount of tip information that comes out of the school;
- f. An increased amount of applicants to the Police Department from the High Schools.

3. PARTNERSHIP ACTIVITIES:

The Eastern High School Board of Education will participate in community policing activities by:

- a. Providing information to the SRO that will enhance their ability to address those conditions that lead to crime and disorder;
- b. Providing time and resources so the SRO can conduct anti-violence programs;
- c. Setting up regular meetings between the SRO and the Student Council so interaction and information exchange can occur;
- d. Providing time and resources so SRO can conduct crime prevention programs;
- e. Providing resources so SRO can set up displays at various school/community events on crime prevention.

4. APPROVAL BY PARTIES:

This Interlocal Services Agreement is conditioned upon the final adoption by the Township and Eastern of a Resolution authorizing same.

5. ENTIRE AGREEMENT:

This Interlocal Services Agreement represents the entire agreement between the parties; all negotiations, oral agreements and understandings are merged herein, and any change of the terms hereof must be made in writing and signed by the parties hereto.

6. GOVERNING LAW:

This agreement and any questions concerning its validity, construction or performance shall be governed by the laws of the State of New Jersey.

7. **MODIFICATIONS:**

This agreement may only be modified in a dated writing, executed by the authorized representatives of the Township and Eastern. In the event there is a modification or amendment to the existing applicable laws and regulations governing this Agreement, such modification or amendment shall be automatically incorporated by reference in this Agreement.

8. **SEVERABILITY:**

In the event that any provisions of this Agreement shall, for any reason, be determined to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the parties hereto shall negotiate in good faith and agree to such amendments, modifications or supplements of or to this Agreement or such other appropriate actions as to the maximum extent practicable in light of such determination, implement and give effect to the intentions of the parties reflected herein, and the other provisions of this Agreement shall, as so amended, modified, supplemented or otherwise affected by such action, remain in full force and effect, to the extent possible.

9. **TERMINATION CLAUSE:**

This agreement shall become null and void on December 31, 2014 unless otherwise extended by mutual agreement of the parties. Either party may terminate this agreement by providing no less than ninety (90) days written notice of same to the other party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT to be duly executed by their proper officials and have caused their corporate seals to be affixed.

ATTEST:

VOORHEES TOWNSHIP

Sean Curran (SEAL)

By: *Michael R. Mynog*

ATTEST:

EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Lucia M. Haffet (SEAL)

By: *Robert M. L. Cicci*

Dated: