

Ocean View School District

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The Honorable Charles Margines Presiding Judge of the Superior Court 700 Civic Center Drive West Santa Ana, CA 92701

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2017-2018 Orange County Grand Jury Report

Safer Schools - What Can We Do?
Response of Ocean View School District

To the Honorable Charles Margines:

In accordance with California Penal Code section 933.05, the Orange County Grand Jury has requested that Ocean View School District respond to findings and recommendations in the 2017-2018 Orange County Grand Jury report entitled: "Safer Schools – What Can We Do?"

Below is the follow up responses requested for R2, R3, R4, and R8:

RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendation 2: School districts should re-evaluate the lack of secure fencing on all school campuses and present a report to their respective boards by December 31, 2018, outlining their plans to make campuses more secure. (F.2, F.3)

Response to Recommendation 2: The recommendation has been implemented and a report to the Board of Trustees by Ocean View School District staff has been presented and approved for fencing at all school sites using school bond funds. In spring of 2018, the Board approved a plan to install perimeter fencing at all District schools.

Follow up Response: This recommendation has been implemented and reports to the Board of Trustees were presented on March 6, 2018, and on November 13, 2018 for final approval. The fencing plan includes two phases for the 16 school sites with the first phase beginning March 2019 to be completed in August 2019. The second phase will be completed in 2020. Fencing will consist of eight (8) foot tubular steel fencing to secure the perimeter of the schools with a single point of entry to the school through the Main School Office. A Districtwide Campus Security Committee is being formed in January 2019 to evaluate school site security protocols and practices.

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Recommendation 3: School districts should implement procedures to ensure that all campuses maintain a complete, daily log (electronic or manual) of every visitor and volunteer entering and exiting the campus, excluding program events such as awards ceremonies or stage or musical productions. (F.4.)

Response to Recommendation 3: The recommendation has not yet been implemented, but will be implemented for the 2018-2019 school year. The RAPTOR visitor/volunteer management system provides for drivers' license scanning sign-in, which is immediately uploaded and transferred to online reporting. Every visitor entering campus will be issued a printed ID badge that includes a photo and purpose of site visit.

Follow up Response: In October 2018, the District installed and implemented the RAPTOR Visitor/Volunteer Management System at all 16 school sites. This system scans for sex offenders and custom custody alerts, electronically logs all visitors and volunteers in and out of each campus on a daily basis, provides an electronic record at any given time of day who is on the campus, and tallies up the total hours of volunteerism and visitations.

Recommendation 4: School districts should implement procedures to ensure that photo identification is required of all campus visitors and volunteers before a visitor's badge is issued. (F.4, F.5.)

Response to Recommendation 4: The recommendation has not yet been implemented, but will be implemented for the 2018-2019 school year. See response to # 3 above.

Follow up Response: With the implementation of the RAPTOR Visitor/Volunteer Management System at all 16 school sites in October 2018, every visitor/volunteer must scan some type of identification into the RAPTOR System before being issued a visitor or volunteer badge. This system scans for and provides alerts to the office staff for potential sex offenders and as well as any custom custody alerts. Once scanned and processed a visitor or volunteer badge is issued. Every visitor or volunteer must wear the identifiable badge while on campus. All school employees are required to wear an identification badge, and have been trained to look for the RAPTOR visitor or volunteer badge being worn by those who are not employees.

Recommendation 8: School districts should consider requiring that all campus incidents of unauthorized access be recorded, tracked, and reported to the district office on a quarterly basis. All districts should share these reports with the Orange County Department of Education. (F.8.)

Response to Recommendation 8: Ocean View School District has not implemented this recommendation. The District will implement a process to track incidents. If requested by the Orange County Department of Education (OCDE), the District will adhere to any and all guidelines required by the OCDE.

Follow up Response: Since the installation of the RAPTOR System in October 2018, every person on any Ocean View School District campus should have identification. If a visitor or volunteer is seen without an

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Follow up Response to Recommendation 8 continued:

identification badge, they are escorted to the school office to be scanned and badged. Once a school's fencing project has been completed with a single point of school entry, there will only be one way into the site and one way out, prohibiting any unofficial entry. Should there be an incident of an unwanted/unapproved visitor, the school site will alert key personnel at the District Office, as well as the police department if necessary. An incident report would be generated by the school site and forwarded to the District Office. A report will be shared with the Orange County Department of Education as required.

Sincerely,

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