

RESOLUTION

**A RESOLUTION OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE,
AFFIRMING THAT SCHOOL
SECURITY OFFICERS AND
SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS
WILL CONTINUE TO BE THE
ARMED PERSONNEL ON
SCHOOL CAMPUSES**

RESOLUTION NO: 24-001

**REQUESTED BY: KRISTI KRISTY
BOARD MEMBER
DISTRICT 9**

BOARD APPROVED: MAY 9, 2024

WHEREAS Knox County Schools desires to be a safe place to learn and work for students, faculty, and staff;

WHEREAS Knox County Schools is blessed with competent, highly-trained certified School Security Officers and School Resource Officers;

WHEREAS Knox County Schools has direct, cooperative partnerships with the Knoxville Police Department and the Knox County Sheriff's Office;

WHEREAS law enforcement officers keep the peace, protect school staff, students, and property, and should be celebrated as heroes and recognized for their service to our community and schools; and

WHEREAS Knox County has invested millions in school safety and has ensured that every school in the Knox County Schools system has at least one School Security Officer assigned to the school;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Knox County Board of Education hereby affirms that certified law enforcement personnel are equipped to manage the safety and

security of Knox County Schools. To maintain the highest possible standards for student safety, School Security Officers, School Resource Officers, and other law enforcement officers will continue to be the armed personnel on campus.

Betsy Henderson

Chair, Knox County Board of Education

5/9/2024

Date