

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN
NEW SHOREHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT
and
NEW SHOREHAM SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

This document represents an agreement between the New Shoreham Police Department and the New Shoreham School Department to engage in cooperative efforts aimed at the reduction and eventual elimination of violence in schools. It is only through this cooperation that we may restore safety in our schools and promote a secure learning environment. This effort has been supported and will be monitored by the Attorney General's Task Force Against Violence in Schools.

In order to ensure success, the parties to this memorandum include superintendents, principals, teachers, school personnel, school bus drivers, local police, said parties agree that:

1. All school staff members are under obligation to report any and all incidents of the possession or use of weapons by any juvenile on school grounds to the principal. Police will be notified by the principal immediately. (see definitions sheet)
2. All school staff members are under obligation to report any and all incidents of aggravated assaults on other juveniles or school staff to the principal. Principals will determine whether an assault is aggravated so as to constitute police involvement. Police will be notified by the principal accordingly.
3. The principal or his designee will coordinate all procedures in these matters with police and will report said incidents to the superintendent or designee.
4. Upon a report of said incidents, the police department will conduct an investigation with school officials to determine what course of action will be taken. The parents of juveniles subject to an investigation will be notified by the school officials immediately.
5. Where appropriate, and in accordance with the recommendations of the Attorney General's Law Enforcement subcommittee's policy, police will pursue criminal action against said juvenile.
6. School staff members will cooperate with prosecuting authorities as juveniles are charged with such offenses. This includes revealing information to police and testifying at proceedings when necessary.
7. The Juvenile Department of the police will record all such occurrences in a log entitled "Violence in Schools." Such record will include the nature of the incident, school official and law enforcement efforts and the disposi-

tion of the case, if any.

8. The school will keep a running log of all such incidents.
9. The police department will be obligated to notify school officials of arrests of juveniles made over the weekend if it appears the person arrested and victim attended the same school. Police will notify school officials the first school day following the weekend.
10. Any suspicions of weapons or assault incidents must be reported to the principal immediately. The principal will share this information with the local police when such suspicion presents a dangerous situation.
11. School administration and Law Enforcement will share such important information in prevention of future violence.
12. The procedures contained in this Memorandum should be consistent with a zero tolerance for violence in schools.

Chief of Police

Wm. McCombe

Superintendent

m. Richard Schrya