## **Spring ISD**

## **Police Department**

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**Spring Independent School District** 

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Creating a Secure Learning Environment,

Because We Care.

#### **Overview**

The Spring Independent School District Police Department combines state-of-the-art technology with good, old-fashioned people power to enhance security throughout the district 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

With the same authority accorded to a municipal police department, the Spring ISD Police Department has 41 full-time police officers and 12 part-time officers under the direction of Spring ISD Police Chief Alan Bragg. Some of the officers are assigned to various schools, patrol duties or communications, while others work as truancy officers, incident investigators or canine officers.

No matter what position an officer is assigned, all police officers work toward a common District goal to provide a safe and secure environment. The District achieves this goal by taking a firm stand against drugs and alcohol, weapons, gang-related activities, bullying, all types of assault, intolerance and sexual harassment. Conduct violations are thoroughly investigated and appropriate disciplinary action is taken when warranted.





The Spring ISD Police Department provides a wide variety of services to the District, staff and students.

The Department provides 24hour patrol of District property, police presence at athletic events, and accident investigations. A Hot-Check Recovery Program helps protect the District's investments along with burglar and fire alarm monitoring and remote-control camera monitoring of all campuses.

The Department is also prepared to handle crisis situations, alarm responses, bomb threats, and workplace violence.

Escorting late-night workers, jump-starting batteries for students and staff, dealing with potentially dangerous situations are among the services the Department provides staff and students. Other services include

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identifying gang indicators, intervening during fights, issuing tickets for traffic and criminal violations, and providing radar enforcement in school zones.

Educational programs for students and continuing education for the officers are important components in the Department's plan to maintain security and help all students become responsible citizens. Special programs provided to students and staff include 9-1-1, bicycle safety and drug and gang awareness programs.

To help with demonstrations, crime prevention education programs and community functions, the Department uses "Detective Emmy," a yellow Labrador. Detective Emmy has undergone extensive training and can conduct searches capable of detecting drugs and firearms on all 44 campuses and facilities.

### **Continuing Education**

All Spring ISD police officers receive 40 hours of continuing education. Hours are accumulated in the classroom, over the Internet, and through regional and state training classes. The training ensures that District police officers stay at the top of their profession in terms of skill and knowledge.



#### **Technology**

Spring ISD's Police
Department is among the most technologically advanced school district police departments in the U.S. The Department's high-tech Communications Center has the capability of hearing and seeing inside each Spring ISD campus. About 2,300 cameras monitor activity districtwide 24-hours a day.

All Spring ISD police cars are fully equipped with state-of-theart Mobile Data Terminals (MDT), which allow immediate access to drivers license records, criminal history data and warrant information.

An Automated Fingerprinting

Identification System (AFIS) machine helps the police know immediately if a person has ever been arrested and fingerprinted. The District also uses the AFIS machine to screen job applicants.

The Visitor, Student or Faculty Tracking (V-Soft) System, allows District personnel to electronically track the number of visitors entering and leaving a campus, and automatically and immediately scan for registered sex offenders.

In addition, the Department is linked to the Lost Child Alert Technology Resource (LOCATER) system. The LOCATER system allows



law enforcement officials to send a missing child's image and information to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) to be posted to its website and made available nationwide.

#### **Crime Line**

Students, parents and community members are encouraged to use the Department's "Crime Line" at 281-891-6900 to report information that might affect their safety or security.

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#### **Statistics**

During the 2009-10 school year, the Department logged in 76,431 incidents, handled 35,526 calls for service, responded to 1,033 alarms, conducted 15,377 campus checks, had 12,003 officer-initiated calls, received 522 requests for radar enforcement, and conducted 233 truancy investigations. Of the 35,526 calls for service, 1,551 reports were taken, resulting in 39 felony charges, 1,589 misdemeanor charges and 1,743 arrests.

## **Community Services**

District police officers participate in numerous community service projects and school programs throughout the year, including the annual Salute to Law Enforcement event, Crime Prevention Education, 9-1-1 Education, Bicycle Road-eos, Drug and Gang Awareness presentations, Red Ribbon Week activities and classroom canine demonstrations.

Because of their involvement, many of the District's officers have been decorated with honors from organizations including the North Houston Greenspoint Chamber of Commerce, Houston Northwest Chamber of Commerce, Willowbrook Rotary Club and Houston Area Police Chief's Association.



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