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September 21, 2026

To any and all whom it may concern:

The Floyd County Schools Board of Education voted to establish a safety and security department within the District during the 2018-2019 school year and hired a Chief Safety and Security Officer. Since that time, the original Chief Safety and Security Officer resigned, and a Director of Safety and Security was hired in July 2026. The Director of Safety and Security is a sworn, POST-certified law enforcement officer as described by the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council.

On September 21, 2026, the Board voted to establish the District's Office of Safety and Security as the school district's own law enforcement unit under Georgia law, to be known as the Floyd County Schools Police Department, and to seek recognition of the Department by the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Council as a law enforcement unit. In connection with this action, the position of Director of Safety and Security is reclassified as Chief of Police.

The Department is established pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 20-8-5, which authorizes a county board of education to employ school security personnel who, when certified by the POST Council and authorized by the Board, have the same law enforcement powers on school property, including the power of arrest, as the law enforcement officers of the county or municipality. Each officer will be certified and trained in accordance with the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Act, O.C.G.A. Title 35, Chapter 8, and will exercise law enforcement powers, including the power of arrest, upon POST certification and authorization by the Board. Each officer will be sworn in by the Chief of Police.

The terminal goal of the Board is to have a police officer in each school protecting our children and staff, as well as the community it serves. At present, the goal of the Board is to transition from the contracted services of local law enforcement to law enforcement services provided by sworn law enforcement officers employed by our district for our district. The agency information is listed below.

Floyd County Schools Police Department

600 Riverside Parkway NE
Rome, Georgia 30161
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Notary Public

Sworn before me this ____ day of September, 2026.

I. Stewart Duggan, Attorney