

## Marysville Joint Unified School District

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Dear Parents,

The Marysville Joint Unified School District and the Yuba County Sheriff's Department are collaborating to enhance the District's school safety program.

Yuba County sheriff deputies are training school personnel to identify student drug use and gang involvement, while assisting in the implementation of safety plans for school lockdowns, evacuations and bringing awareness to safety issues. Parent education events are scheduled at schools for drug and gang awareness.

Effective immediately, specially trained drug dogs will also be used to search school property. Trained Yuba County Sheriff's Dept. dogs may be used to assist school personnel in locating illegal drugs on campus. Students and their personal property will not be searched by the dogs.

As always, our goal is to enhance student safety. The following is current District board policy, which will be used as a guideline in implementing this program.

## Marysville Joint Unified School District Board Policy 5145.12 Use of Drug-Detection Dogs

In an effort to keep the schools free of drugs, the district may use specially trained nonaggressive dogs to sniff out and alert staff to the presence of substances prohibited by law or Board policy. The dogs may sniff the air around lockers, desks, or vehicles on district property or at district-sponsored events as long as they are not allowed to sniff within the close proximity of any students.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact your school site principal or me at (530) 749-6901.

Sincerely,

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