



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PALM BEACH COUNTY

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Accreditation Team Invites Public Comments About the School District of Palm Beach County Police Department

PALM BEACH COUNTY - A team of assessors from the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation (CFA) will arrive April 6, 2021 to examine all aspects of the School District of Palm Beach County Police Department's policies and procedures, management, operations, and support services.

The School District of Palm Beach County Police Department has to comply with approximately 250 standards in order to receive accredited status. Many of the standards are critical to life, health and safety issues.

As part of the assessment, agency members and the general public are invited to offer comments to the assessment team. A copy of the standards manual is available through the CFA website and can be located at <http://www.flaccreditation.org/standards.htm>.

For more information regarding CFA or for persons wishing to offer written comments about the School District of Palm Beach County Police Department's ability to meet the standards of accreditation, please write: CFA, P.O. Box 1489, Tallahassee, Florida 32302, or email to flaccreditation@fdle.state.fl.us.

The Accreditation Program Manager for the School District of Palm Beach County Police Department is Lieutenant Richard Moore. The assessment team is composed of law enforcement practitioners from similar agencies. The assessors will review written materials; interview individuals; and visit offices and other areas where compliance can be witnessed.

Once the Commission's assessors complete their review of the agency, they report back to the full Commission, which will then determine if the agency is to receive accredited status. The School District of Palm Beach County Police Department's accreditation would be valid for 3 years. Verification by the team that the School District of Palm Beach County Police Department meets the Commission's standards

is part of a voluntary process to gain or maintain accreditation--a highly prized recognition of law enforcement professional excellence.

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About the School District of Palm Beach County

The School District of Palm Beach County is the eleventh largest in the nation and the fifth largest in the state of Florida with 185 schools, serving more than 183,000 students who speak 150 languages and dialects. As the largest employer in Palm Beach County, the school district has nearly 21,000 employees, including more than 12,000 teachers. To learn more about the School District of Palm Beach County, visit www.palmbeachschools.org.

