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**DISTRICT 205 AND ROCKFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT RENEW POLICE
LIAISON CONTRACT**

ROCKFORD IL – February 2, 2012 – The Rockford Police Department signed a two-year contract with District 205 to continue providing police liaison officers to monitor school security during the school day and for after school events. The contract, retroactive January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013, has District 205 funding 13 full-time Rockford Police Officers, including a supervising sergeant.

All liaison officers undergo training to become certified youth officers in addition to the standardized police officer training provided by the Department. The liaison officers work eight hours per school day and are responsible for law enforcement, investigating crimes that take place at the assigned District schools, coordinating with the District on security issues, providing emergency assistance, and making classroom presentations and holding educational sessions upon request.

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