

CLAYTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE TALK OF THE TOWN

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SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER INITIATIVE

The Clayton County Board of Education and the Clayton County Sheriff's Office have combined their efforts by implementing the use of deputies to represent law enforcement presence in Clayton County Public Schools, Middle Schools. This is a new and exciting venture for the Clayton County Sheriff's Office.

There is a need for School Resource Officers in order to meet the needs of the community to ensure our teachers and students are safe. Having law enforcement personnel onsite and being visible has deterred criminal activity as well as deviant behavior amongst students.

Sheriff Kimbrough stated, "What I find most important is that schools and law enforcement are working together to promote a positive influence by taking a proactive approach. It is important that trust and respect be built at an early age so that children do not have a "fear" of law enforcement.

Our response to being proactive includes having programs such as Jr. Deputy and

CHAMPS which are taught in elementary and middle schools. Deputies go to the campus and teach students lessons which include, not bullying, not joining gangs, not smoking or doing drugs, fire and water safety to name a few.

With so many negative stereotypes and images seen in the media or even personal life experiences, our School Resource Officers as well as all Sheriff's Deputies strive to encourage children at an early age to follow rules, be honest, and take part in positive activities.



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JAIL RENOVATION PROJECT UNDERWAY

A long awaited change has been implemented, courtesy of the efforts of Sheriff Kem A. Kimbrough Sr.

The Clayton County jail was built ten years ago, and is in need of repairs and renovations. The first major project is the kitchen. Inmates are served hot meals three times a day.

"It is important that we provide safe and sanitary conditions for food preparation", stated Sheriff Kimbrough.

The Jail Support Staff, lead by Captain Deeann Cash diligently coordinated developing a plan which ensured compliance guidelines were met and appropriate feasibility studies were conducted.

The first major project is the kitchen. Planning started in May, 2010 and the renovations began July 18th. Phase one began with the excavation of the ceiling and floor, followed by replacement of the ceiling,

painting and laying Seamless Industrial Flooring (an epoxy resin mixture that is poured to fill the entire area- like concrete). This type of flooring is easy to wash and drain without the worry of lifting and cracking as with tile flooring. All new kitchen equipment to include stoves, ovens and coolers are due to be installed.

Subsequent phases will be announced.

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SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS– NORTH TEAM



From left to right

Sergeant D. Coleman, Deputy I. Britt, Deputy C. Duhart, Deputy J. Dubois,
Chief Deputy Watkins

Sheriff Kimbrough, Deputy D. Williams, Deputy J. Raymond, Deputy Y. Shumaker
Deputy N. Winters, Lieutenant. M. Felgenhauer

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS– SOUTH TEAM



From left to right

Deputy V. Williams, Deputy R. Redding, Deputy D. Taylor, Deputy E. Nobles,
Sergeant K. King, Deputy K. Humphries, Chief Deputy Watkins

Sheriff Kimbrough, Lieutenant M. Felgenhauer, Deputy S. Frederick,
Deputy D. Hathaway, Deputy P. Green, Deputy N. Edwards, Deputy B. Cauthen

Clayton County Public Schools Substation Project

Dr. Edmond Heatley, Superintendent for Clayton County Public Schools and Sheriff Kem Kimbrough partnered in developing projects which will benefit the citizens of Clayton County. One of the projects is the usage of extra trailers, donated by Dr. Heatley, (which were used as mobile classrooms) as law enforcement manned substations which will be strategically placed in highly visible areas for the public, and situated on school grounds. The project will start with four pilot substations which are located at four of the most active areas in the county. These locations are also chosen based on visibility and highly travelled areas.

1. Northcutt Elementary- 5451 W. Fayetteville Rd, College Park, GA 30349
2. Harper Elementary/Sequoyah Middle- 95 Valley Hill Rd., Riverdale, GA 30274
3. East Clayton Elementary- 2750 Forest Parkway, Ellenwood, GA 30294
4. Lovejoy High- 1587 McDonough Rd., Hampton, GA 30228

Deputies will be able to spend more time in the community and anything that field deputies need may be obtained directly from the substations, such as paperwork. The benefit to the public is that hours of operation will be set based on the needs of the local community. Anyone will be able to walk up and gain assistance. The school system will provide power, phone and internet service which is financed from the school safety fund.

Some services provided in the substations will be the same as if you come directly to the Sheriff's Office- such as incident reports. As of September 30th, 2010, school system personnel have begun placing furniture in the stations. Stay tuned for information on the opening ceremony.



Community Relations

The Link Between the Community and The Sheriff

The members of the Community Relations Unit are carefully selected by the Sheriff and Command Staff to cater to the needs of our community. They are the representatives whom you are able to call directly to assist you with any of your concerns. Presently, there are four deputies assigned who cover the entire county. You are able to come to the Community Relations Office or they are able to come to you.

The unit is able to attend your Home Owner's Association meetings, conduct presentations and provide information on starting your Neighborhood Watch Program. They can also conduct home safety inspections and provide feedback on how to make your home safer.

Members also provide training to students in the Clayton County Schools via the Jr. Deputy Program and GREAT. Also offered are ADAP, Explorer Post 922 and a Youth Camp during the summer which is free of charge.

For more information on the services provided and your zone deputy contact:

Sergeant E. Gore

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Sheriff Kimbrough takes pride in making himself available to respond to your needs personally. In the event that he is unable to, he selects representatives on his behalf who will be able to handle your concerns effectively and efficiently. Whether you make an appointment to see him in his office, or request that he come to you, he is dedicated to making reasonable accommodations for you. To schedule an appointment, call the Sheriff's Suite at 678-479-5350.

September Events

September 25th-

Sheriff Office Pill Drop

1000 to 1400 hours in front of the Courthouse

Deputies will man the bins

City of Morrow Duck Derby

Old Towne Morrow (alongside Southlake Mall)

1000 hours to 1800 hours