

**THE CAMPUS ACCOUNTABILITY AND SAFETY ACT
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**RIVER PARISHES COMMUNITY COLLEGE
and
LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES**

I. PURPOSE

The Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) is made effective April 1, 2021 (“effective Date”) by and among the Parties described for the purpose of coordinating the response to certain sexually-oriented criminal offenses as defined in La. R.S. § 44:51 and delineating responsibilities and sharing information specific to such sexually-oriented criminal offenses involving River Parish Community College Students as required by the Campus Accountability and Safety Act, La. R.S. § 17:3399.11 this MOU is intended to memorialize the parties’ commitment to continued cooperation in the prevention of and response to such sexually-oriented criminal offenses involving members of the River Parish Community College and St. John the Baptist Parish community.

II. PARTIES

This MOU is an agreement between the following:

River Parishes Community College (“RPCC”)

and

St. John the Baptist Parish District Attorney’s Office; St. John the Baptist Parish Sheriff’s Office, hereinafter collectively referred to as “Law Enforcement Agencies”.

III. TERM

This MOU shall commence on an effective date for a period of two (2) years.

IV. COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS

The Campus Accountability and Safety Act provides that all public institutions of higher education shall enter into a memorandum of agreement with local law enforcement and criminal justice agencies to clearly delineate the responsibilities and share information, in accordance with applicable state and federal confidentiality laws, regarding sexually oriented criminal offenses, including trends about sexually oriented criminal offenses against students of the institution.

Law Enforcement Agencies, and St. John the Baptist Parish community-based organizations entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (“SART MOU”) to establish A Sexual Assault

Response Team (“SART”). SART is a cooperative, collaborative commitment between the SART Parties to support local community response to sexual assault. SART is comprised of St. John the Baptist Parish District Attorney’s Office, St. John the Baptist Parish Sheriff’s Office, St. John the Baptist Parish Coroner’s Office, Haven Helps, and a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (collectively, the “SART Parties”).

This MOU is not intended to replace the SART MOU, but to supplement and enhance the cooperation between RPCC and Law Enforcement Agencies involving RPCC students consistent with the Campus Accountability and Safety Act.

A. River Parishes Community College agrees to:

1. Designate a liaison to serve and work with Law Enforcement Agencies and to serve as RPCC’s contact person;
2. Maintain communication and contact with local law enforcement agencies, to the extent that they are able without hampering or jeopardizing their own investigation to assist the Law Enforcement Agencies in resolving sexually oriented criminal offenses that may have occurred on its campus or involved a student as a victim or an accused and to promote the proper methods of preservation of evidence;
3. Notify local law enforcement agencies, to the extent it is able with respect to any confidentiality requirements, of any report of a sexually oriented criminal offense that may have occurred on its campuses or involved a student as a victim or an accused;
4. Coordinate investigations, to the extent that they are able with respect to any confidentiality requirements, of any report of a sexually oriented criminal offense that may have occurred on its campus or involved a student as a victim or an accused is fully investigated;
5. Assist in the development and implementation of training for the purpose of sharing information and conducting full investigations into sexually oriented criminal offenses that may have occurred on its campuses or involved a student as a victim or as an accused;
6. Share general information about sexually oriented criminal offenses that may have occurred on its campus or involved a student as a victim or an accused to improve campus safety; and
7. Develop and support policies and procedures to establish and maintain the communication between all signatories to this MOU.

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B. St. John the Baptist Parish Sheriff's Office agrees to:

1. Designate a liaison to serve and work with RPCC and other Law Enforcement Agencies to serve as the agency's contact person;
2. Maintain communication and contact with RPCC to the extent they are able without hampering or jeopardizing their own investigation, including meeting with the RPCC's Title IX Coordinator(s) or others to assist RPCC in resolving sexually oriented criminal offenses that may have occurred on its campus or involved a student as a victim or an accused and to promote the proper methods of preservation of evidence;
3. Notify RPCC, to the extent they are able with respect to any confidentiality requirements, of any report of a sexually oriented criminal offense that may have occurred on its campus or involved a student as a victim or an accused;
4. Coordinate investigations, to the extent that they are able without hampering or jeopardizing their own investigation, to assure that any reported incident involving sexually oriented criminal offenses that may have occurred on RPCC's campus or involved a student as a victim or an accused is fully investigated.
5. Assist in the development and implementation of training for RPCC for sharing information and conducting investigations into sexually oriented criminal offenses that may have occurred on RPCC's campus or involved a student as a victim or an accused.
6. Share general information about sexually oriented criminal offenses that may have occurred on RPCC's campus or involved a student as a victim or an accused to improve campus safety;
7. Participate in RPCC task force meetings to address sexual misconduct; and
8. Develop and support its policies and procedures to establish and maintain the communication between all signatories to this MOU.

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C. St. John the Baptist Parish District Attorney's Office agrees to:

1. Designate a liaison to serve and work with RPCC and other Law Enforcement Agencies to serve as the agency's contact person;
2. Maintain communication and contact with RPCC to the extent they are able without hampering or jeopardizing their own case, including meeting with the RPCC's Title IX Coordinator(s) or others to assist RPCC in resolving sexually oriented criminal offenses that may have occurred on RPCC's campus or involved a student as a victim or an accused and to promote the proper methods of preservation of evidence;
3. Notify RPCC, to the extent they are able with respect to any confidentiality requirements, of any report of a sexually oriented criminal offense that may have occurred on RPCC's campus or involved a student as a victim or an accused;
4. Assist in the development and implementation of training for RPCC for sharing information and conducting investigations into sexually oriented criminal offenses that may have occurred on RPCC's campus or involved a student as a victim or an accused.
5. Share general information about sexually oriented criminal offenses that may have occurred on RPCC's campus or involved a student as a victim or an accused to improve campus safety; and
6. Develop and support its policies and procedures to establish and maintain the communication between all signatories to this MOU.

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This MOU is hereby accepted and adopted as of the Effective Date by the following authorized representative of the Parties hereto:


River Parish Community College


By: Quintin Taylor, Chancellor

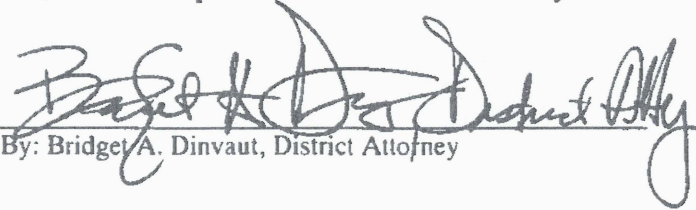
Date 5/31/23

St. John the Baptist Parish Sheriff's Office


By: Mike Tregre, Sheriff


Date 5/8/23

St. John the Baptist Parish District Attorney's Office


By: Bridget A. Dinvaut, District Attorney

Date April 13, 2023

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Agency Liaison Designees

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