

LAPORTE COUNTY ORDINANCE 2000-02

**ORDINANCE CREATING THE  
LAPORTE COUNTY SCHOOL SAFETY COMMISSION**

**WHEREAS**, Indiana Code 5-2-10.1-10 allows counties within the State of Indiana to establish county school safety commissions; and,

**WHEREAS**, safety in <sup>SCHOOLS OF LAPORTE COUNTY</sup> ~~LaPorte County Schools~~ is of vital importance to the residents of LaPorte County; and,

**WHEREAS**, a collaborative undertaking among LaPorte County's school corporations, police agencies, juvenile court, prosecuting attorney's office, and other representative agencies is essential to forming and implementing a comprehensive safety plan for LaPorte County Schools; and,

**WHEREAS**, for the foregoing reason it is desirable to create the LaPorte County School Safety Commission.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED:***

**SECTION 1. CREATION OF LAPORTE COUNTY SCHOOL SAFETY COMMISSION.**

Pursuant to Indiana Code 5-2-10.1-10, there is hereby established the LaPorte County School Safety Commission.

**SECTION 2. DUTIES OF LAPORTE COUNTY SCHOOL SAFETY COMMISSION:**

- A. Perform a cumulative analysis of school safety needs within the county.
- B. Coordinate and make recommendations for the following:
  - (1) Prevention of juvenile offenses and improving the reporting of juvenile offenses within the schools.

- (2) Proposals for identifying and assessing children who are at high risk of becoming juvenile offenders.
  - (3) Methods to meet the educational needs of children who have been detained as juvenile offenders.
  - (4) Methods to improve communications among agencies that work with children.
  - (5) Methods to improve security and emergency preparedness.
  - (6) Additional equipment or personnel that are necessary to carry out safety plans.
  - (7) Any other topic the commission considers necessary to improve school safety within the school corporations within the commission's jurisdiction.
- C. Provide assistance to the school safety specialists on the commission in developing and requesting grants for safety plans.
- D. Provide assistance to the school safety specialists on the commission and the participating school corporations in developing and requesting grants for school safe haven programs under Indiana Code 5-2-10.1-7.
- E. Assist each participating school corporation in carrying out the school corporation's safety plans.

### SECTION 3. COMPOSITION OF THE COMMISSION.

The members of the commission shall be pursuant to Indiana Code 5-2-10.1-10 as follows:

- A. The school safety specialist for each school corporation located in LaPorte County.

- B. The Judge of the Circuit Court or the judge's designee.
- C. The Sheriff of the county or the Sheriff's designee.
- D. The chief officer of every other law enforcement agency in the county, or the chief officer's designee.
- E. A representative of the juvenile probation system, appointed by the judge described under subdivision (B).
- F. A representative of community agencies that work with children within the county.
- G. A representative of the Indiana state police district that serves the county.
- H. A representative of the LaPorte County Prosecuting Attorney's Office who specializes in the prosecution of juveniles.
- I. Other appropriate individuals selected by the commission.
- J. A representative of the parochial schools located in LaPorte County, Indiana.

#### SECTION 4. OFFICERS.

The members of the LaPorte County School Safety Commission shall annually select a chairperson to preside at the meetings of the commission and a secretary.


#### SECTION 5. APPROVAL FOR ACTIONS BY THE COMMISSION.

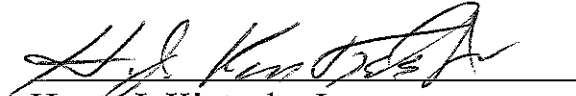
The affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the commission is required for the commission to take action on a measure.

Dated this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2000.

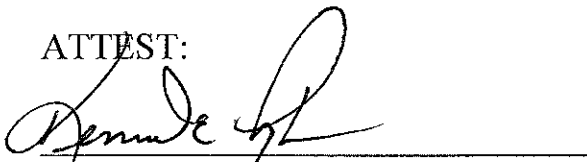
THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS of the County of LaPorte, State of Indiana.

  
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**WEST'S ANNOTATED INDIANA CODE  
TITLE 5. STATE AND LOCAL ADMINISTRATION  
ARTICLE 2. LAW ENFORCEMENT  
CHAPTER 10.1. INDIANA SAFE SCHOOLS FUND**

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5-2-10.1-10 County school safety commissions

Sec. 10. (a) A county may establish a county school safety commission.

(b) The members of the commission are as follows:

(1) The school safety specialist for each school corporation located in whole or in part in the county.

(2) The judge of the court having juvenile jurisdiction in the county or the judge's designee.

(3) The sheriff of the county or the sheriff's designee.

(4) The chief officer of every other law enforcement agency in the county, or the chief officer's designee.

(5) A representative of the juvenile probation system, appointed by the judge described under subdivision (2).

(6) Representatives of community agencies that work with children within the county.

(7) A representative of the Indiana state police district that serves the county.

(8) A representative of the Prosecuting Attorneys Council of Indiana who specializes in the prosecution of juveniles.

(9) Other appropriate individuals selected by the commission.

(c) If a commission is established, the school safety specialist of the school corporation having the largest ADM (as defined in IC 21-3-1.6-1.1) in the county shall convene the initial meeting of the commission.

(d) The members shall annually elect a chairperson.

(e) A commission shall perform the following duties:

(1) Perform a cumulative analysis of school safety needs within the county.

(2) Coordinate and make recommendations for the following:

(A) Prevention of juvenile offenses and improving the reporting of juvenile offenses within the schools.

(B) Proposals for identifying and assessing children who are at high risk of becoming juvenile offenders.

(C) Methods to meet the educational needs of children who have been detained as juvenile offenders.

(D) Methods to improve communications among agencies that work with children.

(E) Methods to improve security and emergency preparedness.

(F) Additional equipment or personnel that are necessary to carry out safety plans.

(G) Any other topic the commission considers necessary to improve school safety within the school corporations within the commission's jurisdiction.

(3) Provide assistance to the school safety specialists on the commission in developing and requesting grants for safety plans.

(4) Provide assistance to the school safety specialists on the commission and the participating school corporations in developing and requesting grants for school safe haven programs under section 7 of this chapter.

(5) Assist each participating school corporation in carrying out the school corporation's safety plans.

(f) The affirmative votes of a majority of the voting members of the commission are required for the commission to take action on a measure.

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