



# Kentucky Association of School Resource Officers March/April 2020

Greetings all,

At this point I have no doubt that each of you are in the middle of adjusting to life in this brave new world. But I have no fear, because I know your resolve and you got this!!! I do sincerely hope each of you have been blessed with health and wellness in this time.

Allow me to share with you a recent personal story:

The other day I was mowing the grass, which is a fav past time of mine. And the garbage man stopped and got my attention. He knew me by name and title, to which I was surprised as I have never seen that man before. He thanked me for the relationship I have been trying to cultivate with his son. Frankly, I was shocked, not for his reaching out in gratitude, but that the subtle attempts I have been making, were clearly paying off. This young man is a freshman student who has been struggling with addiction and focus on education. Recently he got sent off to the Military Challenge academy (a boot camp program for troubled youth). I received word many weeks into his stay, that he was not doing well, so I chose to write him a quick letter to encourage him and challenge his growth in his new environment. This week, I received a letter in return from this young man. The letter was not short on grammatical mistakes and run on sentences, but that was of no consequence to me. All I knew, was that his words tore at my heart, and in this brief moment, I found validation in why we do what we do as School Resource Officers and professional educators. What you do, and how you go about your business, matters. You can impact young people in a positive way. You can't save them all but do not allow your cynical world view and your myriad of police experiences to trick you into believing you can't influence or spark a change in a young person. This experience was a reminder for me, and I know you each have stories of your own. I want to encourage you to share a story with us so we can post it in our newsletter as a SRO "spotlight". It would be our pleasure to share your incredible experiences with your colleagues.

In this time and others, I want to encourage each of you to find a way to make contact with some students you serve. Find a way to nurture the relationship you have with as many students as you can, especially in times of uncertainty like we are living in right now. But most importantly, take the time to be with your loved ones, enjoy their company, and stay healthy and safe out there.

As always, I am so thankful to have the opportunity to serve you, albeit in a small way, it is a blessing and I'm honored that we get to share this profession together.

Best,

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# KYASRO NEWS

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### DATES TO REMEMBER

KASA/SAFE  
SCHOOLS  
CONFERENCE –  
July 29-30, 2020

NASRO – July 5-  
10,2020 Dallas,  
Texas

**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: Deadline Extended to 4/21/2020**



### SCHOLARSHIPS

The Kentucky Association of Schools Resource Officers (KYASRO) is offering two (2) \$500.00 scholarships for post-secondary education to seniors. Students are nominated by their School Resource Officer (SRO) based on the student's contribution to safety or crime prevention in his/her school. It is suggested that SROs collaborate with their high school counselors and other school administrators/staff regarding qualified applicants.

The nominating SRO must be a member of KYASRO. If you need membership information, please contact Lee Ann Morrison at 1-877-805-4277 These will be awarded at your school's awards ceremony.

### AWARDS

KYASRO seeks to recognized SROs and School Administrators and Staff, who go above and beyond each day, demonstrating great commitment to the safety of their schools and communities.

Nominations can be submitted by anyone in the nominee's community. Categories include: SRO of the Year, Rookie of the Year, Administrator/ Staff Member of the Year

APPLICATIONS FOR BOTH AWARDS CAN BE FOUND AT [WWW.KYASRO.COM/AWARDS](http://WWW.KYASRO.COM/AWARDS) or on the following pages

AS OF THIS DATE- BOTH CONFERENCES ARE STILL ON!!

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BLESSINGS TO YOU ALL DURING THESE UNCERTAIN TIMES




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<b>Nominee Name</b>	
<b>Award Nominated For</b>	Please Circle:    SRO of the Year       Administrator/Educator       Rookie
<b>Nominee's police department and school system</b>	
<b>Nominee's Address (city, state, zip, county)</b>	
<b>Nominee's contact phone number</b>	
<b>Nominee's email address</b>	
<b>Years of experience in their position they are currently employed</b>	
<b>Name and title of person submitting nomination</b>	
<b>Phone Number for person submitting</b>	
<b>Email Address for person submitting</b>	

***\*\*Please submit a description as to why the nominee listed above should receive the award. Please include years of experience, specific activities and any other pertinent information.***

***We will also accept letters of support and any other supporting documentation.***



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## Sticklen/Shipp Memorial Scholarship Application

[www.kyasro.com](http://www.kyasro.com)

### Student Applicant Information

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last First M.I.*

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street Address Apartment/Unit #*

\_\_\_\_\_ *City State ZIP Code*

Parent/Guardian Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Email \_\_\_\_\_

High School Name \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_ G.P.A \_\_\_\_\_

SRO Name and Department/Agency \_\_\_\_\_

SRO Phone Number and Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

### Student Background Information

*The nominating SRO should answer the following questions on this form or on additional pages.*

1. Has the student been accepted and/or enrolled as a full time student in a post-secondary institution or vocational school?

2. Briefly describe the contribution this student has made to safety or crime prevention in his/her school:

3. List other activities the student has participated in (sports, band, clubs, etc.):

4. Briefly describe the association you have had with this student:

SRO  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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***PLEASE ATTACH ADDITIONAL LETTERS OF SUPPORT FOR YOUR NOMINATION***



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# What Law Enforcement Personnel Need to Know about Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

**Patients with COVID-19** have had mild to severe respiratory illness.

- Data suggests that symptoms may appear in as few as 2 days or as long as 14 days after exposure to the virus that causes COVID-19.
- Symptoms can include fever, cough, difficulty breathing, and shortness of breath.
- The virus causing COVID-19 is called SARS-CoV-2. It is thought to spread mainly from person-to-person via respiratory droplets among close contacts. Respiratory droplets are produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes and can land in the mouths or noses, or possibly be inhaled into the lungs, of people who are nearby. Close contact may include:
  - Being within approximately 6 feet of an individual with COVID-19 for a prolonged period of time.
  - Having direct contact with body fluids (such as blood, phlegm, and respiratory droplets) from an individual with COVID-19.

## To protect yourself from exposure

- If possible, maintain a distance of at least 6 feet.
- Practice proper hand hygiene. Wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not readily available and illicit drugs are NOT suspected to be present, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- Do not touch your face with unwashed hands.
- Have a trained Emergency Medical Service/ Emergency Medical Technician (EMS/EMT) assess and transport anyone you think might have COVID-19 to a healthcare facility.
- Ensure only trained personnel wearing appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) have contact with individuals who have or may have COVID-19.
- Learn your employer's plan for exposure control and participate in all-hands training on the use of PPE for respiratory protection, if available.

## Recommended Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Law enforcement who must make contact with individuals confirmed or suspected to have COVID-19 should follow [CDC's Interim Guidance for EMS](#). Different styles of PPE may be necessary to perform operational duties. These alternative styles (i.e. coveralls) must provide protection that is at least as great as that provided by the minimum amount of PPE recommended.

The minimum PPE recommended is:

- A single pair of disposable examination gloves,
- Disposable isolation gown or single-use/disposable coveralls\*,
- Any NIOSH-approved particulate respirator (i.e., N-95 or higher-level respirator); Facemasks are an acceptable alternative until the supply chain is restored, and
- Eye protection (i.e., goggles or disposable face shield that fully covers the front and sides of the face)

\*If unable to wear a disposable gown or coveralls because it limits access to duty belt and gear, ensure duty belt and gear are disinfected after contact with individual.

## If close contact occurred during apprehension

- Clean and disinfect duty belt and gear prior to reuse using a household cleaning spray or wipe, according to the product label.
- Follow standard operating procedures for the containment and disposal of used PPE.
- Follow standard operating procedures for containing and laundering clothes. Avoid shaking the clothes.

**For law enforcement personnel performing daily routine activities, the immediate health risk is considered low. Law enforcement leadership and personnel should follow [CDC's Interim General Business Guidance](#).**

## HOW ARE YOU STAYING CONNECTED DURING THIS PANDEMIC EMERGENCY

As teachers are providing lessons via the internet, how are you keeping connected to your students? SRO David Smith recorded himself reading a children's book and sent it out to his students. I know some other SRO's have done this too!! Others are calling students, texting students or sending out messages in other ways to maintain relationships. Students are scared, hurt (especially the Seniors), and confused. REMEMBER, students need to hear from you too!!

