

Bellefontaine Police Department School Resource Officer Bellefontaine Middle School



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Hello, I'm Officer Allen Huffman of the Bellefontaine Police Department. I've been in law enforcement for 28 years, working in the Village of St. Paris, Champaign County, Clark County, Logan County and currently with the City of Bellefontaine. I graduated from Graham High School and completed my Ohio Peace Officer Training through the Logan County Sheriff's Office at Ohio Hi-Point JVS. Throughout my career I've completed training in numerous fields from dispatching, corrections, and patrol operations. I've had extensive training in OVI detection, Accident Reconstruction, Crime Scene & Death Investigations, Evidence Collection & Property Room Maintenance and School Resource Officer Training. I look forward to introducing the School Resource Officer Program into the Bellefontaine City Schools as we work together to build a better future for the younger generation in our community. Using my knowledge, experience and training, I want to create a safer environment with an emphasis in drug prevention while making it fun and enjoyable.

I'm supported by my wife, a Bellefontaine City School teacher, and our three lovely children.

Sincerely,

Officer Allen Huffman



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School Resource Officer's Duty Summary

The School Resource Officer (SRO) supports and facilitates the educational process within the Bellefontaine City Schools (BCS) by providing a safe and secure environment through building and establishing meaningful relationships with students and staff. SRO's will be proactively interacting with the school community to ensure the enforcement of city and state laws, protection of life and the prevention, detection, or investigation of crime. The SRO will work effectively with students, parents, BCS personnel, and community to support teaching and learning in BCS.

To also include the following duties;

- Patrol BCS property for suspicious activity, unauthorized persons on campus, or unauthorized entry before, during and after hours. Conduct routine patrols of BCS facilities and property.
- 2) Provide in-service training to help administrators, staff and students be better prepared to deal with emergencies and safety/security issues.
- 3) Work with administration, staff and students to better understand the role of law enforcement in a school environment.
- 4) Proactively communicate with school's leadership and collaborate with school's administration on safety protocols and procedures.
- 5) Provide classroom presentations on crime prevention, concepts and structure of law. Assist teaching law related education, substance abuse education, de-escalation techniques and conflict resolution to students and staff.
- 6) Identify and prevent (through counseling and referral) delinquent behavior, including drug and alcohol addiction and abuse.
- 7) Serve as liaison between the BCS administration, staff, students, parents, and law enforcement for matters involving the BCS, staff and students during investigations.
- 8) Make arrests ONLY when necessary to protect students, staff and BCS property.