

## SECTION SMP

# SMP-K SCHOOL BUS INCIDENT RESPONSE PROCEDURE

# **SMP-K: School Bus Incident Response Policy**

## **Section SMP-K.10**

### **Introduction**

#### A. Introduction

Responding to reports of criminal conduct on school buses is the responsibility of law enforcement officials. Officers shall respond to criminal incidents occurring on school buses reported to this agency. Officers shall understand the applicable laws pertaining to the criminal incidents occurring on school buses. (MSS 160-452, 169-4581, 169- 4582)

## **Section SMP-K.11**

### **General Procedures**

#### B. General Procedures

1. If, during the initial incident report to this agency, the location of the incident can be determined to have occurred outside the City of Avon, the reporter should be referred to the appropriate agency and the officer should also notify the appropriate agency of the report.
2. If the incident report is received and no immediate officer response to the scene is required, the officer shall conduct a follow up investigation into the incident.
3. If the incident requires an officer respond personally to the; school bus or other associated scene, the immediate concern shall be to intervene and prevent the incident from occurring or continuing. The protection of property shall be secondary to the protection of persons involved. Medical assistance should be called for as is necessary.
4. An initial investigation into the incident shall be conducted to determine where the bus was at the time the incident began and who the proper investigating agency should be.
5. If the incident occurred in the City of Avon, officers shall conduct a criminal investigation of the incident. If the incident occurred outside the City of Avon, it should be referred to the appropriate agency for further investigation.

6. Officers shall maintain control of the scene until a peace officer of the authorized agency has arrived and is in control of the scene.
7. Officers are encouraged to assist the other agencies peace officer in completing the investigation if they are requested to do so.
8. Upon completion of the investigation the officer shall forward copies of the investigation to the proper prosecuting authority.