Under [Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 71, Section 37P(d)](https://malegislature.gov/Laws/GeneralLaws/PartI/TitleXII/Chapter71/Section37P) (M.G.L.ch.71§37P(d)):

*Annually, not later than August 1, the superintendent shall report to the department of elementary and secondary education and publicly present to the relevant school committee: (i) the cost to the school district of assigning a school resource officer; (ii) a description of the proposed budget for mental, social or emotional health support personnel for the school; and (iii) the number of school-based arrests, citations and court referrals made in the previous year disaggregated as required by the department of elementary and secondary education.*

Additionally, each school district with a school resource officer (SRO) is required to annually submit to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) their SRO memorandum of understanding (MOU) and operating procedures (OP).

To support school districts in complying with state law, DESE administers an annual survey to all districts and charter schools. The following information is required to complete the short survey, which can be found here: <https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/8327490/Required-SRO-and-Mental-Social-Emotional-Health-Staff-Data>.

**Requirement 1: School Resource Officers for the most recently completed school year (e.g., for information due August 1, 2025, provide information for School Year 2024-2025)**

1. The number of SROs for the **most recently completed school year**
2. Cost to the district or charter school of assigning SRO(s)

**Requirement 2: Mental, Social or Emotional Health Support Personnel for the upcoming school year (e.g., for information due August 1, 2025, provide information for School Year 2025-2026)**

The **proposed** **budget** (total amount) for the district’s mental, social or emotional health support personnel for the **upcoming school year**. Mental, social or emotional health support personnel (for this purpose) are defined as:

* 1. School counselor
  2. School adjustment counselor (special education and non-special education)
  3. School social worker (special education and non-special education)
  4. School nurse leader
  5. Psychiatrist
  6. School nurse (special education and non-special education)

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