



The Alabama Association
of
School Resource Officers

"United for Alabama's Youth"

TAASRO 2017

18th Annual "Safe Schools" Training Conference

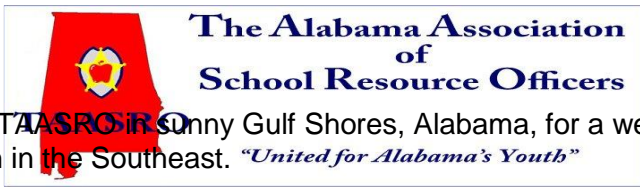
June 5-9, 2017, Orange Beach Event Center, 4671 Wharf Parkway, AL 36561

Theme: "The Cultural Influence on the School Environment"

As societal trends evolve, external cultural influences may seep into the hallways and classrooms of our schools. The safety of the school environment depends on awareness, prevention, and proactive measures. This year, TAASRO brings you the "hot" cultural topics that can have a negative influence on the safe school environment-- if left undetected, unaddressed, and unresolved.

- Professor Bernie James, Pepperdine University, is the national and international authority on school law. Learn all the new case laws and trends pertaining to SROs and the safe school environment.
- Jermaine Galloway also known as "Tall Cop" will bring the latest in youth trends with his presentation "High in Plain Sight."
- Jimmy Magas will present "Detecting Suspicious Criminal Behavior through Kinesics." Attendees will learn to recognize dangerous body language in the field environment. Specifically, attendees will learn how to break down and decode physical cues given from those committing or about to commit a criminal act. Those acts include terrorist attacks, smuggling contraband, suicide bombings, and other criminal endeavors
- Sergeant Heather Mundell is a detective for the Polk County Sheriff's Office. She will focus on the ins and outs of internet investigations using social media.
- Tajuan McCarty will share her story of human trafficking. Tajuan will provide tips for SRO's to look for in order identify victims inside our schools.
- Detective Dennis Herink and Officer Deb VanVelzen will share their recent experience and lessons learned from a recent case involving a high school student being recruited by extremists. Strategies and resources will be given to assist SROs and school officials in identifying, investigating, and reestablishing relationships with students suspected of falling victims to terrorist recruitment.
- Chelsea Neighbor, Prevention Services Coordinator from East Alabama Medical Mental Health Center, will present basic knowledge on recognizing a mental health crisis or challenge and how it differentiates from typical adolescent behavior. This session will empower resource officers to provide appropriate interventions until professional help can assist. Broad knowledge about mental health care in adolescents; including age on onset, various disorders, and resources available will also be discussed.

For more information about the conference visit our website www.taasro.org and follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/taasro>.



I welcome you to join TASRO in Sunny Gulf Shores, Alabama, for a week of some of the best training and education in the Southeast. *"United for Alabama's Youth"*