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*This is part of an
overall agreement.*

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(Signature)
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Memorandum of Understanding
Between
United Teachers Los Angeles and Los Angeles Unified School District
Pilot Program- Exemption from Administrative Searches

Schools are faced with instances of violence, including the use of weapons on or adjacent to school campuses. The District strives to provide a safe environment for students to learn, explore and create, and for teachers and administration to be able to focus on teaching and providing students with these opportunities. The District school safety measures include random metal detector searches, locker searches and other measures under the settled principles of constitutional construction, which permits reasonable application of metal detectors in schools. Bulletin 5424.2 focuses on random searches, metal detector searches and locker searches.

As part of the District's efforts to ensure an effective learning environment by maintaining a safe and secure campus, secondary schools are authorized to implement random metal detector searches. These are administrative searches. This policy does not include searches conducted by law enforcement.

For the 2019-20 school year, schools may apply to be exempt from Administrative searches, i.e. "wandering," for the length of the MOU and fourteen (14) schools will be selected. This application may be sent from the Local School Leadership Council or similar governance council to their Local District review by March 15, 2019. The Local District shall submit the applications to District Operations for final approval.

For the 2020-21 school year, schools may apply to be exempt from Administrative searches, i.e. "wandering," and fourteen (14) additional schools will be selected. This application may be sent from the Local School Leadership or School Site Council to District Operations for review by March 15, 2020. The Local District shall submit the applications to District Operations for final approval.

The City of Los Angeles and the District shall work together to add services such as the LA City Gang Reduction and Youth Development (GRYD) programming to schools participating in the proposed "wandering" pilot program as well as select schools with traditional random searches. It is not the intention of both parties to add additional police presence as part of the programming on campuses.

The District may terminate a school's participation in this MOU, if it determines it is necessary to do so to preserve the safety of the students and staff at that school(s). Prior to making a final decision, the District will provide notice to the school that it is considering terminating the

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school's participation in the MOU, including its concerns, and provide the school with the opportunity to respond to the District's concerns. The school will have five calendar days from receipt of the District's notice to respond. Once the school has responded or the five calendar day period has elapsed, the District will provide written notice of its final decision to the school.

This MOU will terminate on June 30, 2021.