GENERAL ORDER 10-21  
SECTION F-3  

PUBLIC SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS  
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I. POLICY  

It is the intent of the Baltimore City School Police Force (BCSPF) to be responsive to official requests for public speakers capable of articulating factual information regarding the BCSPF official intent and procedures.  

II. PURPOSE  

The purpose of this General Order is to establish guidelines regarding members of the BCSPF accepting public speaking engagements as representatives of the BCSPF.  

III. GENERAL  

The various facets of law enforcement have always generated interest in the community, and frequently requests are received for public speaking engagements by members of the BCSPF. On these occasions, it is important that the duties, responsibilities, objectives, and accomplishments of the BCSPF be presented in an intelligent and informative manner. Properly planned and executed responses to these requests will achieve this goal. Accordingly, requests for public speaking engagements should be handled according to the requirements in this General Order.  

The Chief of School Police and staff by virtue of the office held will, on occasion, be requested to speak publicly on behalf of the BCSPF.  

All other members of the BCSPF must receive prior approval and must submit Form 95 and receive written approval of the Chief of School Police before accepting public speaking engagements as representatives of the BCSPF.
A preplanned radio and/or television appearance by any members of the BCSPF regardless of rank, requires advance written approval of the Chief of School Police or their designee.

IV. REQUIRED ACTION

Personnel shall advise the Chief of School Police in the Form 95 of the date, time, and place, and intended subject matter prior to making a scheduled public speaking appearance.

Any member who is unable to fulfill an approved public speaking commitment shall promptly notify the Chief of School Police or their designee who shall, whenever possible, provide a substitute speaker.

V. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Order shall be effective on the date of publication.

I certify that I have read and fully understand this Order.

Signature______________________________ Date____________________