MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN

LOUISIANA TECH UNIVERSITY

AND

Ruston Police Department, Grambling Police Department, Ruston City Prosecutor's Office, Lincoln Parish Sheriff's Office, Third Judicial District Attorney's Office, Grambling State University Police Department, Grambling State University and Louisiana Tech University Police Department

Pursuant to La. R.S. 17:3399.14, as amended by Act 439 and 472 of the 2021 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, this Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is a collaboration between the **Ruston Police Department, Grambling Police Department, Ruston City Prosecutor's Office, Lincoln Parish Sheriff's Office**, **Third Judicial District Attorney's Office**, **Grambling State University Police Department**, **Louisiana Tech University Police Department**, and **Louisiana Tech University and Grambling State University**, each represented by the authorized signatory below.

The law requires that all public institutions of higher education shall enter into and maintain a written memorandum of agreement with local law enforcement agencies, including the campus police department, if any, the local district attorney's office, and any law enforcement agency with criminal jurisdiction over the campus, to clearly delineate the responsibilities and share information, in accordance with applicable state and federal confidentiality laws, including but not limited to trends regarding power-based violence committed by or against students of an institution.

With signature to this MOU by all parties, representatives are demonstrating a commitment to the requirements of La R.S. 17:3399.14. This agreement shall be reviewed annually by each institution's chancellor/president, Title IX coordinator, and the executive officer of the criminal justice agency, and shall be revised as considered necessary.

Nothing in this MOU entered into by the Parties shall be construed as prohibiting a victim or responsible employee from making a complaint to both the institution and a law enforcement agency.

The parties agree as follows:

1. Ruston Police Department, Grambling Police Department, Ruston City Prosecutor's Office, Lincoln Parish Sheriff's Office, Third Judicial District Attorney's Office, Grambling State University Police Department, and Louisiana Tech University Police Department each agree to:

a. Designate a liaison to serve and work with the Institutions, including each Institution's campus security and Title IX Coordinator, and to serve as the agency's contact person;

b. Maintain communication and contact with the Institutions and Title IX Coordinators at the Institutions, to the extent able to do so without jeopardizing their own investigation, including meeting with their Title IX Coordinators or others to assist those institutions in resolving power-based violence committed on their campuses by or against students of an institution, and to promote the proper methods of preservation of evidence;

c. Notify the respective Institutions, to the extent able with respect to any confidentiality requirements imposed by law, of any report of power-based violence committed on their campuses by or against students of an institution;

d. Coordinate investigations with the Institutions, to the extent able to do so without jeopardizing their own investigation, to assure that any reported incident involving power-based violence committed on their respective campuses by or against students of an institution is fully investigated;

e. Assist in the development and implementation of training for use by the Parties hereto related to sharing information and conducting investigations into power-based violence committed on their campuses by or against students of an institution;

f. Share general information with the Institutions about power-based violence committed within the jurisdiction of the parties hereto with the goal of promoting and improving campus safety;

g. Include on its police reports information related to the status of the alleged victim as a student of an Institution; and

h. Develop and support policies and procedures to establish and maintain meaningful communication between all signatories to this MOU.

2. Louisiana Tech University and Grambling State University each agree to:

a. Designate a liaison to serve and work with the Law Enforcement Group, and to serve as the Institution's contact person;

b. Maintain communication and contact with the Law Enforcement Group, to the extent able to do so without jeopardizing their own investigation, including meeting with their Title IX Coordinators or others to assist those in resolving power-based violence committed on their campuses by or against students of an institution, and to promote the proper methods of preservation of evidence;

c. Notify the Law Enforcement Group, to the extent able with respect to any confidentiality requirements imposed by law, of any report of power-based violence committed on their campuses by or against students of an institution;

d. Coordinate investigations with the Law Enforcement Group, to the extent able to do so without jeopardizing their own investigation, to assure that any reported incident involving power-based violence committed on their respective campuses by or against students of an institution is fully investigated;

e. Assist the development and implementation of training with the Law Enforcement Group, for the sharing of information and conducting investigations into power-based violence committed on their campuses by or against students of an institution;

f. Share general information with the Law Enforcement Group, where applicable, about power-based violence committed on their campuses by or against students of an institution, with the goal of promoting and improving campus safety; and

g. Develop and support the policies and procedures to establish and maintain the communication between all signatories to this MOU.

3. Term: This MOU shall be reviewed annually and revised as needed.

This Memorandum of Understanding is hereby accepted and adopted by the following authorized representatives:

Chief Eric Watson
Chief Eric Watson (Jul 7, 2025 16:06 CDT)

Eric Watson — Date
Chief of Police, Ruston Police Department

J Stephen Williams (Nov 17, 2021 14:28 CST) — Nov 17, 2021

Stephen Williams — Date
Sheriff, Lincoln Parish Sheriff's Office

Cary T Brown (Nov 18, 2021 15:03 CST) — Nov 18, 2021

Cary Brown — Date
City Prosecutor, Ruston City Prosecutor's Office

John Belton (Nov 18, 2021 05:48 CST) — Nov 18, 2021

John F. Belton — Date
District Attorney, Third Judicial District Attorney's Office

Tommy Clark Jr.
Tommy Clark Jr. (Nov 20, 2021 22:44 CST) — Nov 20, 2021

Tommy Clark, Jr — Date
Chief of Police, Grambling Police Department

Chief Rodney Demery
Chief Rodney Demery (Jul 16, 2025 09:19 CDT)

Rodney Demery — Date
Chief of Police, Grambling State University Police Department

Randal Hermes (Nov 18, 2021 15:13 CST)

Nov 18, 2021

Randal Hermes — Date

Chief of Police, Louisiana Tech University Police Department

Martin Lemelle, Jr.

Dr. Martin Lemelle, Jr — Date

President, Grambling State University

James B. Henderson

James B. Henderson (Jun 6, 2025 09:15 CDT)

Dr. James B. Henderson — Date

President, Louisiana Tech University