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Today, Sheriff Aaron Hanson met with Douglas County School District Superintendents to brief them on conversations that have taken place between local Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) leadership and DCSO. Given the sensitive nature of the topic, and public uncertainty, Sheriff Hanson believes it is important that law enforcement keep our education partners updated on potential actions as they relate to our schools.

Important takaways from the meeting include:

- Local ICE leadership has communicated that they have no plans to take any action in any Douglas County school for the purposes of immigration related offenses.
- Local ICE leadership has communicated that they have no plans to take any action or have presence in Juvenile or Family Court proceeding related to immigration related offenses.
- The only reason ICE may be present at a school building would be in the event of an imminent public safety or national security threat.
- In the event ICE does need to visit a school, local law enforcement and school district leadership will be notified prior to coordinate engagement.
- Douglas County school superintendents are encouraged to contact Sheriff Hanson directly should they have any questions relating to immigration enforcement and our schools.

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If you have any question in regards to this media release, please contact Spencer Head via email at spencer.head@douglascounty-ne.gov.

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