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Subj: Special Event Radio Headsets

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As our campus continues to bring in more and larger events, we have the occasion to work events with amplified music and sound. This can cause issues for our staff working the event without proper ear protection and safety issues to be able to hear and use the police radio. To remedy these concerns, we tested a headset, and subsequently we have invested in 7 noise reducing radio headsets that will reduce noise and allow for radio operations.

We have purchased 4 double ear headsets that will connect to our handheld radios. The headsets have a push to talk button on one of the ear speakers, (red button). They are also equipped with an adjustable boom microphone with noise reduction. The wide material strap with Velcro is placed on the top of the head and is adjustable. The hard support goes behind your head. The boom microphone can be adjusted to your comfort.

We also purchased 3 different types of headsets to be primarily used by tactical dispatchers or to be used in lieu of the double ear headsets. These three are a much lighter set, but, does not have the same capability of noise reduction as the double headsets. These are a wire type structure with an ear plug on each side. You can attach different type of ear plugs, the type most of us use that allows for noise to come in or the noise reduction which is more like an ear plug. While using those, the outside noise is reduced greatly. This style comes with an inline push to talk option and also connects to our handheld radios. When testing this style we learned that you may have to carefully adjust the ear support for comfort. The half circle wire goes behind your head with the two ear loops over the top of your ears. The ear plugs hand from the wire until you insert into your ears.

Both styles have a quality sound reception and seem to transmit very clear. Each headset is numbered. They are available for events with approval from the Incident Commander. The OIC of each event that these are used will be responsible for check out and check in along with logging them out on the master log for this equipment. The will eventually be stored in the cabinets in the conference room.

Before they and after use a Lysol type or alcohol pad to clean the ear muffs on the double ear headsets (Inventory numbers 1-4). Place them back in the storage box with the corresponding inventory number after they have dried. For the lighter version, (inventory 5-7) please use your own ear pieces and remove them after use for any future events. I will be ordering a supply of the ear tips this week.

At any point if they do not work correctly please notify the OIC of the event. The OIC will notify management for repair via written communication.

Please use these when appropriate, do your best to take care of the equipment.

Thanks