

**IF YOU HAVE
INFORMATION
ABOUT ANY MAJOR
CRIME, CALL**

1-800-78-CRIME

1-800-47-ARSON

1-800-US-FRAUD

1-800-47-DRUGS

- Call the WeTip number. Do not give your name. A code name and number will be assigned to you.
- The WeTip operator will take the information and pass it on to appropriate law officers who then conduct their own investigation. Only calls made directly to WeTip will be eligible for reward.
- If your information results in an arrest and conviction, you will be given up to \$1,000 cash, depending upon the importance of the crime solved. Again, you will not give your name. Your identity will never be known to anyone.
- Stay anonymous on the Internet. Anyone with information about suspicious behaviors or criminal activities can use the WeTip website, at www.wetip.com, to submit a tip electronically by filling out the "submit tip" form located at the bottom of each we page.

**WHAT IS WETIP'S
SCHOOL SAFETY HOTLINE?**

*It is one of your schools best
defenses against violence!*

As a member of WeTip's School Safety Program, the district receives:

- Access to the toll-free, 24-hour hotline, open seven days a week and answered by trained operators. Students can anonymously report wrong doing and potential violence and remain absolutely anonymous. A Spanish speaking operator is available on each shift.
- Immediate notification of tips received.
- A safe and effective hotline that employs skilled operators to take information on tip forms that have been developed with the help of law enforcement to obtain the maximum amount of critical information.
- Student awareness public service videos and audio messages for schools.
- Appropriate posters, brochures, and school safety stickers are provided to the district as an informational reminder of the WeTip anonymous hotline solution.
- School safety communications tools designed to work within your existing internal procedures.
- Professional consultation seminars for implementing and using the WeTip School Safety program.

WeTip

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S.O.S.
Save Our Schools



**IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION ABOUT
WEAPONS OR CRIME IN YOUR
SCHOOL...**

...CALL

WeTip
A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

1-800-78-CRIME

ANONYMOUS

Toll-free, Nationwide, 24 hours a day

Se Habla Español, www.wetip.com

UP TO \$1,000 REWARD

WeTip gives you a way to protect yourself and your school without having to be afraid

Half of teens have heard of a gun threat at school

More than half (52%) of teens know of somebody who has brought a weapon to school, but 61% of them did nothing about it, a study shows. More than half (52%) have heard a student make some kind of weapons-related threat, but again, most (56%) did not take action. Teens say they would stay quiet to avoid getting into trouble somebody who might be joking. Getting a gun would not be hard: 52% could get one if they wanted. -USA Today This information comes as WeTip has been inundated with calls that have averted violent incidents in schools across the nation.

WeTip has been fighting crime in schools since 1972

When someone calls WeTip, no one asks them who they are or where they live. The WeTip operator asks questions to find out about the crime and who committed it. The operator will give the caller a number so that they can call back if they find out more information.

WeTip sends the tip to the police department or the sheriffs department and they investigate to see if a crime has really happened. If their investigation proves that a crime has been committed an arrest can be made.

If the person who was turned in gets arrested and is found guilty, then a reward of up to \$1,000 is offered to the person who gave the tip.

The reward is paid at the post office where the person who gave the tip can receive the reward money by using a pretend name that was given at the time the tip was first given.

Be Aware...Be Alert...

If you see someone with a weapon at school, hear about a crime, or a dangerous situation, you can make a difference. Be aware and be alert. Write down everything you can remember about what you saw or what someone told you as soon as you can. Don't rely on your memory. It is easy to get things mixed up or forget details, especially if you were the victim or if you were at the scene of the crime. Be as exact as you can and try to avoid guessing. Wrong information is worse than no information at all. Keep a copy of the information that you write down. Then call the WeTip anonymous hotline and report the crime to the operator at 1-800-78-Crime. That number is 1-800-78-27463.

The operator will ask you several questions about the crime and ask you to describe the situation as briefly as possible about what, where, when, how, and who did it.

Do not hang up until the operator gives you your case number and tells you that the call is finished.

WeTip[®] SAVE OUR SCHOOLS PROJECT AN S.O.S. MESSAGE TO PARENTS AND STUDENTS EVERYWHERE

Weapons in schools is now becoming a problem of epidemic proportions. We must take action now before the problem gets totally uncontrollable. More than three million crimes are committed each year in and around the 8,500 public schools in the United States. The children committing these crimes have become progressively younger. Children are claiming that they MUST be armed to protect themselves and so the problem grows. The crimes have become more and more violent. School violence is of grave concern to parents, school officials, and teachers alike.

WeTip is now implementing a new project, as part of its SAFE SCHOOLS PROGRAM, to deal with school violence and keep weapons out of our learning institutions. Zero tolerance of weapons in our schools may be a key to stopping most of the crime and violence that engulfs our high schools, junior high schools, and is currently creeping into our elementary schools.

WeTip's SAFE SCHOOLS PROGRAM gives the young people who want to stay out of trouble an opportunity to do something about crime while staying absolutely anonymous. It also provides undecided youngsters a way to turn in information about crimes or weapons that they feel are bad without fearing reprisal. No one ever knows who they are. Not us... Not ever!

School Districts can urge their insurer to subscribe to WeTip and provide this valuable resource, a WeTip membership, as a portion of their insurance. Your J.P.A. can join or self insured schools can join for a very nominal fee. Your membership will provide toll-free lines, staffed 24 hours a day, 365 days a year with a Spanish speaking operator on each shift, effective posters for your schools and a whole array of other materials that are available to members. ■