

Back to School Conference 2023 On June 14, 2022, Gov. Reynolds <u>announced</u> \$100 million in school safety funding to support Iowa's 327 public school districts and 183 nonpublic and independent schools during a press conference with the Department of Public Safety, Department of Education, and the Department Homeland Security and Emergency Management.



• Breakdown of Funds

- \$75M School Safety Improvement Fund
- \$7.5M Vulnerability assessments for all 1,500 K-12 School buildings
- \$6M Digital critical incident mapping technology
- \$4.5M Radios for schools
- \$1.5M Digital applications and software for reporting and intelligence
- \$5.5M School Safety Bureau operations funding through 2026



Other State Agency Goals

- Department of Education
 - Conduct critical incident mapping of every school
 - Provide a tactical layout of each school to LEO/EMS

- HSEMD
 - Provide vulnerability risk assessments on all 1500 K-12 school buildings
 - Provide up to \$50,000 per building in grant funds for building hardening and security upgrades



Governor's School Safety Bureau Mission (DPS)

- Provide active shooter training to schools/places of worship
- 2. Provide active shooter training to our law enforcement and first responders statewide
- 3. Provide an emergency radio to every school in Iowa
- 4. Develop and monitor a threat reporting tool that is assessable via an app, website, and telephone



Governor's School Safety Bureau's Mission/Goals

- 1. Train Law Enforcement, First Responders and Educators on how to respond and survive active shooter events
 - 2300+ educators have received active shooter training this school year
 - 950+ educators have received Stop The Bleed training
 - 515+ law enforcement officers have attended level 1 response training (DPS/ILEA)
 - 100+ new active shooter instructors will be certified this year to assist in the training of lowa first responders

Active Shooter Training

Active Shooter Training for Schools –ALERRT (Texas State University)

CRASE – Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events

 Presentation that provides strategies, guidance, and a proven plan for surviving an active shooter event (Run-Hide-Fight) – 2-2.5 hrs. classroom instruction

STB – Stop The Bleed

 The American College of Surgeons program that teaches 3 quick techniques to control bleeding and save lives – 90 min hands on

Active Shooter Training

- CRCC Civilian Response and Casualty Care
 - Combination of CRASE and STB 3-4 hrs.



Governor's School Safety Bureau's Mission/Goals

- 2. Provide emergency radios to all K-12 schools for better communication with first responders
 - 1253 emergency radios were ordered/processed through GSSB
 - These radios are currently being installed and programmed locally
 - Allows schools to have direct contact with dispatch during an emergency event

Emergency Radios



Governor's School Safety Bureau's Mission/Goals

- 3. Develop a threat reporting solution for Iowa Schools
 - Had to be anonymous
 - Needed to be user friendly
 - Have the ability for two-way communication
 - Had to be free and accessible to all Iowa Schools

The solution:



Threat Reporting

Iowa School Threat Incidents: 2022-2023 Academic Year : 126



Safe+Sound 2023







How does this information get to law enforcement

Social Media Threats





Safe+Sound Iowa Anonymous Reporting. Any Hour. Any Day.

Safe+Sound Iowa

- Free anonymous K–12 school safety reporting system
- Helps students, teachers, parents and community members keep lowa schools safe
- Helps identify and provide intervention for students in crisis before they harm themselves or others





Safe+Sound Iowa

Helps prevent:

- School violence
- Unlawful possession of weapons
- Self-harm
- Other forms of victimization and threatening behavior

Helps enable:

 School administrators and law enforcement to work together for effective interventions

Why Reporting Matters

In **80%** of shootings, at least one other person had advance knowledge of what was to occur.

(U.S. Secret Service and U.S. Department of Education)

Of those who noticed concerning behavior in advance of an active shooting by a student:

- 92% were schoolmates.
- **75%** were teachers or school staff.

(U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation)

Ways to Make a Report



Free. Secure. Anonymous.

Connecting Concerns, Creating Action

Free anonymous school safety reporting system:



Safety concerns of students, teachers, parents and community members



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Local school contacts, law enforcement and/or other community partners



Outreach and support to student in crisis

Safe+Sound Iowa:

Offers Early Intervention

Identify and help a student who is struggling before they cause harm to themselves or others

Empowers Students

Advocate for your school and community by speaking out for others to play a role in keeping everyone safe

Strengthens Community

Support communities in working together to prevent and protect against acts of violence

Joining A Proven Model

Iowa joins a growing list of states that are making school safety programs a priority, including: Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Utah, West Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyoming.





Step-by-Step: How to Make a Report



When using Safe+Sound Iowa for the first time to report a concern, you will be asked to enter a 4-digit passcode.

You will use this passcode to log in and access your reports going forward.



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Select your city
and school.

Select the type of safety concern you are reporting.

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Bodily Injury / Emergency Condition	0
Child Abuse	0
Drug Trafficking / Distribution	0
Explosives	0
Guns	0
Homicide	0
Human Trafficking	0
Knife	0
Location of Missing Child / Student	0
Other School Safety Issue	0
Planned School Attack	Ο
Sexual Assault / Rape	Ο
Suicide Threats	0
Terrorism Threat	0
Unresponsiv <u>e / Unconscious In</u> dividual	0



Describe your concern with as many details as possible.

Attach photos, videos, audio files, etc.

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Click "Submit."



A Safe+Sound Iowa dispatcher will start a live chat session. Please stay on the line, on the app chat or on the website page for a dispatcher's follow-up questions.

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Following Up on a Report



Instructions will be given about how to follow up on the status of your report, view replies or add information later.

Please stay in the chat for a moment for possible dispatcher follow-up questions. Thank you for using the Safe+Sound Iowa Anonymous Reporting System. The information you provided is currently being reviewed by our call takers. Please remain in this chat screen in case a call taker has follow-up questions. If you have any additional information that may be helpful you can add it now in the chat box below.

You have successfully submitted your tip. Login often to check the status, view replies, or add information. You can follow up on this tip any time using any of the following methods:

Follow-up Method #1 You can access this tip any time using the "Review/Update Existing Tip" menu on the main screen of this app.

Follow-up Method #2 You can also login at <u>www.p3tips.com</u> using the credentials below. <u>Tip ID</u>: 5450-M26 <u>Password</u>: 3B3J4P

> Follow-up Method #3 You can also call 800-224-6018.

You can add additional information by entering a message here and clicking Submit.

Attachment (Optional)

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Submit

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Safe+Sound Iowa: Lifecycle of a Report

Lifecycle of a Report

A trained Safe+Sound Iowa dispatcher receives the report and opens a live two-way chat to answer questions and ask for additional information, if necessary.



Lifecycle of a Report

The report is immediately vetted and sent to the designated local school administrator, law enforcement official and/or other community partners.

Content will determine who will respond to the report and how the situation will be addressed.



Lifecycle of a Report

The student in crisis or at risk receives the help they need BEFORE they ever get to the point of harming themselves or others.

The report is closed by the responding local school or law enforcement official.



Safe+Sound Iowa Tip Example

Schnitker Donald

From:	Safe+Sound Iowa <5450@p3campus.com>
Sent:	Tuesday, February 21, 2023 3:08 PM
To:	Schnitker Donald
Subject:	** External Email Alert ** P3 - Tip 5450-M26 (Guns)
Attachments:	5450-6400566-20230221210805.PDF

External Email Alert This email is from outside DPS. DO NOT CLICK links or attachments unless you expected them. If unsure please forward to ITOC@dps.state.ia.us for review.

Tip 5450-M28 is now available for you to view. Please see the attached PDF file.

Safe+Sound Iowa has received a School Safety report that requires your attention. The content of this report and the identity of the reporting party MUST be kept ANONYMOUS.

If the nature of this concern requires additional assistance from the Governor's School Safety Bureau or the lowa Department of Public Safety, please contact DPS State Radio at 712-732-1341 and request the on-call School Safety Bureau supervisor. This type of assistance may include investigative resources, technical/legal service assistance, and/or analytical services.

Click here to let us know that you have received the attached PDF file or to provide disposition information.

Sent By: Donald Schnitker, Special Agent/Program Coordinator (Manually) Safe+Sound Iowa <5450@p3campus.com>

- Tip will be emailed to your dispatch
- Tip will contain all information provided by the reporting party
- Tip will also be sent to the designated school contact

Safe+Sound Iowa Tip Example





Safe+Sound Iowa + Tipster	2023/2/9 10:08 AM
Has your classmate expressed any suicidal thoughts or threats to harm others?	
Tipster	2023/2/9 10:08 AM
I'm afraid she might hurt herself or others.	
Safe+Sound Iowa + Tipster	2023/2/9 10:08 AM
Thank you. We take all reports very seriously and are glad you took the time to s	say something.
Safe+Sound Iowa + Tipster	2023/2/9 10:09 AM
Please let us know if you have any further information you would like to share.	
Tipster	2023/2/9 10:09 AM
I will.	

Please <u>click here</u> to complete the tip disposition upon conclusion of your investigation. If the link has been disabled, then you can enter Tip ID 5450-M26 along with the Disposition ID (P3 ID) 6400566 into the disposition form located at <u>https://www.p3tips.com/dispo</u>.

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Governor's School Safety Bureau Report



Spring 2023

Anonymous Reporting. Any Hour. Any Day.



Tip Reporting Data

Spring 2023

TIPS RECEIVED



REPORTING METHODS



REPORTING CATEGORIES

Other Safety Issue Assault Assault Guns Drug Trafficking Suicide Threats Knife Terrorism Threat Sexual Assault Bullying Human Trafficking Harassment Explosives Child Abuse



DISPOSITION STATUS





Tip Reporting Map

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TIP VOLUME BY COUNTY





School Recipients

Schools are encouraged to provide updated contact information to Safe+Sound Iowa to ensure the appropriate personnel is notified of incoming tips and the information is handled in a timely and efficient manner.

School Safety Contact Form

Safe+Sound Iowa encourages school recipients to provide disposition on any tips received to enhance the program's reporting data.

School Recipient Disposition Form

Outreach

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Find more information about the Safe+Sound Iowa program at <u>SafeandSoundIowa.gov</u>.

Questions can be directed via email to the Safe+Sound Iowa team at <u>safeandsoundiowa@dps.state.ia.us</u>.



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