



Be SAFE+SOUND

Anonymous School Threat Reporting. Any Hour. Any Day.



Find additional information at

SafeandSoundIowa.gov

You can help save lives and take a stand against school violence by reporting concerns through tools provided by Safe+Sound Iowa. Find more information inside.

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Safe+Sound Iowa is a program of the Governor's School Safety Bureau

Supporting Our Students. Protecting Our Schools.

Creating a safe learning environment starts with awareness and early reporting of concerning behaviors. That's why the Iowa Governor's School Safety Bureau developed Safe+Sound Iowa—an anonymous reporting tool for students, teachers, parents and community members to help identify and provide intervention for students in crisis before they harm themselves or others.

Reports are monitored 24/7 by trained dispatchers who immediately vet and share information with the appropriate local school administrators, law enforcement or other community partners—so outreach and support can be provided to the student in need.

How to Report



Online at
SafeandSoundIowa.gov
("Make a Report")



Through the
Safe+Sound
Iowa app



By phone at
800-224-6018

What to Report

Anyone who has information about a safety concern can prevent:

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

NOTE: The Safe+Sound Iowa website, mobile app and tip line should be used responsibly. Like misusing 911 or filing a false police report, knowingly submitting a false report to Safe+Sound Iowa could have serious consequences, including being charged with a crime.

*In past school attacks in the United States, **92%** of those who noticed concerning behaviors in advance were schoolmates.**

People may not report warning signs because they don't:

- Want to be labeled, stigmatized or threatened
- Know who to tell or are afraid to speak up
- Think someone else will say something

Safe+Sound Iowa removes these barriers with several convenient ways to report safety concerns with all information kept anonymous and confidential.

**U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation*



Download the Safe+Sound Iowa app.



Sharing a Safety Concern

Monitored 24/7, Safe+Sound Iowa takes reports any time, any day of the year. The reporting process is simple and includes two-way communication with a live trained dispatcher:

- Fill out a brief, easy-to-follow form on **SafeandSoundIowa.gov**.
- Use the **Safe+Sound Iowa mobile app**.
- Call **800-224-6018**.

What Happens When I Make a Report?

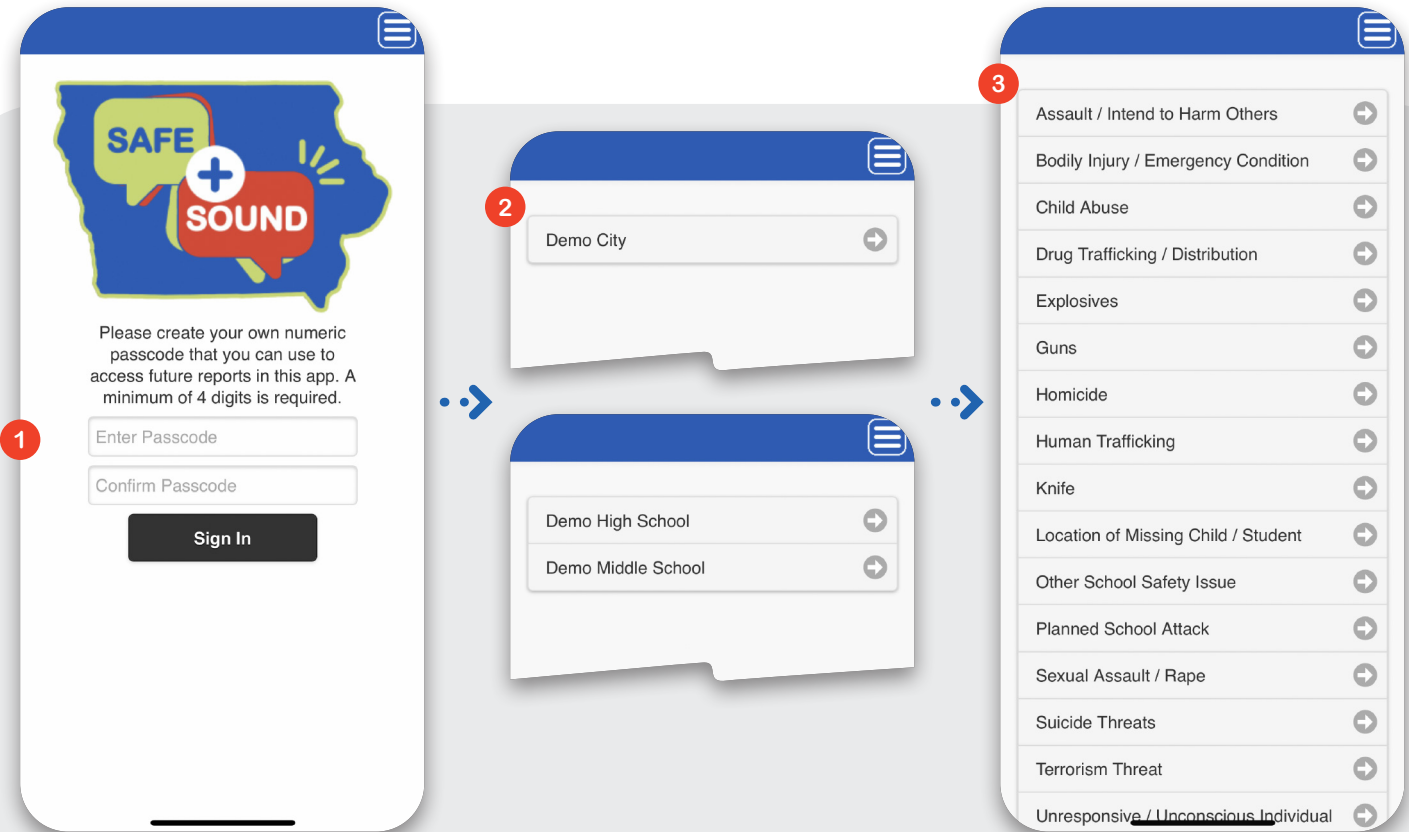
Safe+Sound Iowa dispatchers collect and vet information so it can immediately be shared with the appropriate contacts and action can be taken.



How to Report

If calling to make an anonymous report, a live dispatcher will help guide you through the process.

Follow the steps below when using the Safe+Sound Iowa mobile app or SafeandSoundIowa.gov website to report a safety concern.



1 When using Safe+Sound Iowa for the first time, you will be asked to enter a 4-digit passcode. You will use this passcode to log in and access your reports going forward.

2 Select your city and school from the dropdown menus.

3 Select the type of safety concern from the dropdown menu. You will only be allowed to choose one.

How to Report (cont.)

Call 911 if this is an emergency or a crime in progress.

Description of Concern/Event

4 I think I saw a gun in my classmate's backpack

What time and date did the event occur to the best of your recollection?

Person Involved

First Name

Last Name

Nickname

Grade

Vehicle

Make

Model

Year

Color

License Plate

State

Description (any identifying marks, bumper stickers, company logos, etc.)

Attachment (Optional)

Browse... No file selected

Photo Library

Take Photo or Video

Choose File

Vehicle

Make

Model

Year

Color

License Plate

State

Description (any identifying marks, bumper stickers, company logos, etc.)

Attachment (Optional)

Browse... No file selected

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By submitting your information, you agree to the [Terms of Use](#).

4 Provide a description of your concern and as many details as possible, such as:

- Time and date the event occurred
- Name, grade, ethnicity, gender, physical characteristics and address of the person involved
- Vehicle information—make, model, year, color, license plate number and any identifying marks, bumper stickers, company logos, etc.
- Related photos, videos, audio files, etc.

The more information you share, the more effective the response can be.

The content of your report is confidential, and any identifiable information about you is kept anonymous.

5 After entering your report, click **“Submit”**.

How to Report (cont.)

Tip ID: 5450-M26
Password: 3B3J4P
Follow-up Method #3
You can also call 800-224-6018.

Safe+Sound Iowa 10:08 AM
Has your classmate expressed any suicidal thoughts or threats to harm others?

6 I'm afraid she might hurt herself or others.

Attachment (Optional)
Browse... No file selected

Submit

- 6 Once you submit your report, the dispatcher will start a live chat session to answer your questions and ask for additional information, if needed.
- You will receive a confirmation within the chat when your report has been successfully submitted.

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.

7 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 www.p3tips.com using the credentials below.
Tip ID: 5450-M26
Password: 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.

- 7 Instructions will be given about how to follow up on the status of your report, view replies from Safe+Sound Iowa or add information.
- **Safe+Sound Iowa mobile app**
Use the "Review/Update Existing Tip" menu on the main screen.
 - **SafeandSoundIowa.gov**
Use the unique ID and password provided at the time you submitted your report.
 - **Safe+Sound Iowa tip line**
Call 800-224-6018 and share your request with the dispatcher.

Follow-up Method #3
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Submit

Home

Frequently Asked Questions



How do I know if Safe+Sound Iowa is offered in my school?

Safe+Sound Iowa is available for free to K–12 schools statewide and involvement is voluntary. To find out if your school is participating in Safe+Sound Iowa, contact your superintendent or administrative office, or check the list of schools within the Safe+Sound Iowa reporting system mobile app or website.



When I make a report, how does Safe+Sound Iowa protect my anonymity?

When making a report, you will not be asked for your identifying information. Safe+Sound Iowa will only ask for information about the situation causing concern. If you do want to include your name, it's your choice.



If a concern is reported about a student, how is the student's information protected?

Reporting information is kept confidential and is not subject to disclosure under Iowa open records laws. Threat report information is only shared with designated school staff and law enforcement with a right and need to know to address reported concerns.



Are parents or guardians notified when a report is made about their child?

No and yes. Reports are anonymous, and all information is confidential. Depending on how the local school and/or law enforcement determine it is best to respond and address the situation, a student's parents or guardians may be notified.



Will I be updated on the status of my report and how it was resolved?

No. You can follow up on the status, view replies or add information to a report—see step 7 under “How to Report” on page 6 in this document for instructions. **However, because reports are anonymous and all information kept confidential, you will not be informed of how a situation was resolved.**



How much information do I need to know about a situation before I make a report?

You should make a report as soon as possible with the information you have. While it is true that the more information you share, the more effective a response can be, you can always add new information to your report using the Safe+Sound Iowa mobile app, website or tip line.



Questions?

Email the Safe+Sound Iowa team:
safeandsoundiowa@dps.state.ia.us.



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